WWII in the Pacific Web Quest

**Baatan Death March** - [http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/bataandeathmarch.htm](http://dnn.epcc.edu/nwlibrary/borderlands/25/bataan.htm)  
1. How long after the attack on Pearl Harbor did the attack on the Philippines come? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
2. How many American troops were defending the Baatan Peninsula?   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.  When were they finally forced to surrender? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
3. How many men survived the march to the POW camp?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
4. Describe some of the atrocities committed by the Japanese during the march. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Why do you think the Americans were treated so poorly by the Japanese?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Battle of Midway** - <http://militaryhistory.about.com/od/worldwari1/p/Midway.htm>  
1. How did the Americans learn of the planned attack on Midway Island?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
2. The Battle of Midway marked the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of World War II in the Pacific.  
3. What were the two reasons Admiral Yamamoto chose to attack Midway?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. What occurred at 10:22 in the morning?  Why was it significant?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
5. What was the significance of the Japanese defeat at Midway?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
 **Battle of Guadalcanal** - <http://www.nationalww2museum.org/learn/education/for-students/ww2-history/at-a-glance/guadalcanal.html>  
1. The Landing at Guadalcanal was the first American \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of World War II.  
2. What did the American marines struggle against for 6 months?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. In the end, what key substance did the battle come down to?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
5. During the Battle of Guadalcanal, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ began to give the U.S. a stronger advantage over the Japanese in the Pacific.   
**Battle of Leyte Gulf** - <http://militaryhistory.about.com/od/worldwari1/p/leytegulf.htm>  
1. What were the dates of the battle?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
2. What was the goal of the battle?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
3. Between the Japanese and the American fleets, which fleet was stronger?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Why do you think this?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
4. For what two reasons was the Battle of Leyte Gulf significant?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**Battle of Iwo Jima** - <http://www.military.com/NewContent/0,13190,NI_Iwo_Jima2,00.html>  
1. Of the 3,400 marines in Major General Fred Hayes’ group, how many were left standing at the end of the battle?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
2. How many Americans were wounded or killed in the battle?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  And the Japanese?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
3. Why did one American soldier describe the Japanese as “not on Iwo Jima, but in it?”  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Read the individual accounts of the battle, as told by the men who were there.  Which soldier’s story resonated with you the most?  Why?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
 **Battle of Okinawa** - <http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/facility/okinawa-battle.htm>  
1. How many Americans were killed in the battle? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Wounded?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
2. How many Japanese soldiers were killed?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  How many Japanese civilians were killed (estimated)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
3. What was the “storm of steel?”  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Why did the Japanese not defend the beaches, and instead dig in to caves in the highlands? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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5. What was the battleship Yamato’s mission?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
6. What two pieces of “dramatic news” did the Americans get during the course of the battle?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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7. Instead of surrender, what did many of the Japanese soldiers do?  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
9. What were the Americans planning on using Okinawa for? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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