

John Harvey's Memorial Day Quiz

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1. How did the United States end up at war against Germany in World War Two?
 - a. Germany bombed Pearl Harbor
 - b. US declared war on Germany after u-boat attacks
 - c. Germany declared war on the US
 - d. US was automatically at war with Germany after declaring war on Japan

2. What year did the American Revolutionary War begin?
 - a. 1775
 - b. 1776
 - c. 1777
 - d. 1778

3. What year did the American Revolution end?
 - a. 1777
 - b. 1779
 - c. 1781
 - d. 1783

4. Which of these events occurred during the War of 1812?
 - a. the British burned the White House
 - b. the United States allied itself with Napoleon
 - c. the first ironclad ships were used
 - d. the Zimmerman telegram was discovered

5. During which of these battles did the bloodiest day in US military history occur (in terms of US casualties)?
 - a. Battle of the Bulge
 - b. Tet Offensive
 - c. Antietam
 - d. Saratoga

6. Which World War One tank officer supervised the design still used today for the shoulder patch in US armored divisions?
 - a. Creighton Abrahms
 - b. George Patton
 - c. Dwight Eisenhower
 - d. Black Jack Pershing

7. In what country did most of the Battle of the Bulge take place?
 - a. France
 - b. Germany
 - c. Luxembourg
 - d. Belgium

8. Who said, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead!"
 - a. Admiral Nimitz
 - b. General Patton
 - c. Admiral Farragut
 - d. President Roosevelt

9. The Korean War pitted (eventually) what two sides against each other?
 - a. Korea and the United States vs. China and Russia
 - b. China and North Korea vs. the United Nations and South Korea
 - c. North Korea vs. South Korea and the United States
 - d. North Vietnam and North Korea vs. South Korea and the United States

10. In response to the British complaint that GI's were "over sexed, over paid, and over here," US soldiers would respond that the Tommy's were "under sexed, under paid, and under..."
 - a. Eisenhower
 - b. the gun
 - c. orders
 - d. a setting sun

KEY: 1c, 2a, 3d, 4a, 5c, 6b, 7d, 8c, 9b, and 10a.