# Global Military History Quiz

Military History · Answer Key · 20 Questions

**1. Which battle is widely considered the turning point of the Pacific War during World War II?**

**A) Battle of Midway**
B) Battle of Iwo Jima
C) Battle of Guadalcanal
D) Battle of the Coral Sea

**2. The 'Phalanx' formation was a military innovation most famously associated with which ancient civilization?**

A) The Roman Republic
**B) Ancient Macedonia**
C) The Persian Empire
D) The Carthaginian Empire

**3. Who served as the supreme commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force in Europe during World War II?**

A) George S. Patton
B) Douglas MacArthur
**C) Dwight D. Eisenhower**
D) Bernard Montgomery

**4. Which 19th-century conflict is often cited as the first 'industrial war' due to the widespread use of railways and telegraphs?**

A) The Napoleonic Wars
B) The Franco-Prussian War
**C) The American Civil War**
D) The Crimean War

**5. What was the primary purpose of the Maginot Line, constructed by France in the 1930s?**

A) To facilitate trade with Britain
**B) To defend against a German invasion**
C) To block naval access to the Mediterranean
D) To secure the border with Italy

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**6. The 'Longbow' was a weapon that gave English forces a distinct advantage during which medieval conflict?**

A) The Crusades
**B) The Hundred Years' War**
C) The Wars of the Roses
D) The Norman Conquest

**7. Which famous military leader was defeated at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815?**

**A) Napoleon Bonaparte**
B) Julius Caesar
C) Hannibal Barca
D) Alexander the Great

**8. What type of vessel was the 'U-boat' used extensively by Germany in both World Wars?**

A) Battleship
B) Destroyer
**C) Submarine**
D) Aircraft Carrier

**9. Which ancient military strategist authored 'The Art of War'?**

A) Confucius
**B) Sun Tzu**
C) Laozi
D) Qin Shi Huang

**10. The 'Blitzkrieg' doctrine, utilized by Germany at the start of WWII, translates to which English term?**

A) Heavy bombardment
**B) Lightning war**
C) Total defense
D) Rapid naval strike

**11. What was the name of the project that developed the first atomic weapons during World War II?**

**A) The Manhattan Project**
B) Operation Overlord
C) The Apollo Program
D) Project Desert Shield

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**12. In which year did the Battle of Hastings take place, marking the Norman Conquest of England?**

**A) 1066**
B) 1215
C) 1492
D) 1588

**13. The 'Zero' was a highly maneuverable fighter aircraft developed by which nation?**

A) Germany
**B) Japan**
C) United Kingdom
D) United States

**14. Which Roman military leader famously crossed the Rubicon in 49 BC?**

A) Augustus
B) Mark Antony
**C) Julius Caesar**
D) Pompey the Great

**15. What was the 'Enigma' machine primarily used for during World War II?**

A) Radar detection
**B) Encryption of communications**
C) Long-range artillery aiming
D) Anti-aircraft fire control

**16. The 'Red Baron', Manfred von Richthofen, was a famous fighter pilot during which conflict?**

A) World War II
B) The Korean War
**C) World War I**
D) The Vietnam War

**17. Which treaty officially ended the First World War?**

A) Treaty of Westphalia
**B) Treaty of Versailles**
C) Treaty of Paris
D) Treaty of Tordesillas

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**18. What defensive fortification system was built by the Romans across northern Britain?**

A) The Great Wall
B) The Atlantic Wall
**C) Hadrian's Wall**
D) The Theodosian Walls

**19. Which naval battle in 1571 saw a coalition of European Catholic states defeat the Ottoman Empire?**

**A) Battle of Lepanto**
B) Battle of Trafalgar
C) Battle of Salamis
D) Battle of Actium

**20. The 'T-34' is widely considered one of the most effective tanks of World War II, produced by which country?**

A) Germany
B) France
C) United Kingdom
**D) Soviet Union**