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WW2 in Colour: Overlord

**Watch the film and answer the following questions.**

1. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill had always been certain that an Allied invasion of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ would be necessary.

2. What happened when British and Canadian troops mounted an attack on the French port of Dieppe?

3. Britain had learned an important lesson: Never attempt a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on a German occupied area.

4. D-Day was also known as Operation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

5. Since the summer of 1941 the Germans had been building an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a massive series of fortifications along the European coast.

6. German General Rommel was primarily concerned with Allied\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

7. Rommel’s plan to scatter troops and tanks was the” worst of all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”.

8. Why did Allied leaders decide to land in Normandy and not Pas de Calais?

9. How did British leaders deal with the problem of creating a harbor?

10. What was Operation Bodyguard?

11. In late 1943, the Allies appointed US General \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Supreme Allied Commander.

12. What postponed the original invasion?

13. **True/False**. Allied forces successfully achieved an element of surprise.

14. Omaha Beach was a defender’s dream with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

15. Why did the invasion catch the Germans by surprise?

16. **True/False**. Initially, Hitler did not take the invasion at Normandy seriously.

17. After \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ days of fighting all of the Allied beachheads were able to link up.

18. British \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tanks were nicknamed “Ronsons” by the Germans after the cigarette lighter because they often exploded on impact.

19. American troops needed to secure the port of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to ensure troop and supply reinforcements.

20. It took British forces \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ separate assaults on Caen to take the strategically important French city.

21. The US breakout into France was called Operation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

22. As the Americans pressed forward into France they were helped by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the German high command.

23. On July 20, 1944 there was an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attempt on Hitler’s life. He was

saved by a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

24. On August 20, 1944 Allied forces linked up and German troops were caught in the

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and suffered heavy casualties.

25. American troops landed in Cannes virtually \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and were assisted by French paratroopers.

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