**Objective 1: Locate suitable beaches for a significant landing force**

1. **Landing Zone Options:**
2. Look at the Map; Based on distance, which beach is closer to England?
3. Based on these assessments, why did the Allies choose to invade Normandy instead of Calais?\*\*\*\*
4. **German Defenses:**
5. Who commanded the German Defenses on the Atlantic Coast?\*\*\*\*
6. The German defenses on the Atlantic Coast were known as the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?\*\*\*\*
7. **Atlantic Wall Pictures:**
8. This German defense barrier consisted of (list 3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
9. **Operation Fortitude:**
10. What was the goal of Operation Fortitude?\*\*\*\*
11. Was the operation successful? Why?
12. **Operation Fortitude Pictures:**
13. How are four U.S. soldiers able to lift this tank?
14. Looking at the line of military equipment, are you convinced that these are real tanks?

**Objective 2: Use paratroopers to isolate the battlefield (beach areas).**

1. **Paratrooper Plan:**
2. Paratroopers from what three countries were involved in the D Day Invasion?
3. To prevent German reinforcements from reaching Normandy, the paratroopers were tasked with attacking\*\*\*\*
4. **The British 6TH Army Airborne**
5. The British 6th Army airborne unit was to secure the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ side of the landing site**.\*\*\*\***
6. Locate the following on the map; River Dives, Merville, River Orne, Caen Canal near Bénouville.
7. **The American 101st and 82nd Airborne divisions**
8. The American 101st and 82 airborne divisions were to secure the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ side of the landing site.\*\*\*\*
9. Locate the following on the map; Ste.-Merce-Eglise, Cherbough, Utah beach.
10. **Paratrooper Invasion Account:**
11. Why does Joe Bressler hear and feel a squishing sound in his boot?
12. What did the paratroopers use as a signaling device?
13. **The end result of the airborne assault:**
14. The main objective of the paratrooper missions was to “Isolate the battlefield (beach areas)” According to this passage, did the Allied troops accomplish this goal? Why or why not?

**Objective 3: Amphibious invasion, control the beaches.**

1. **The Beaches**
2. The United States forces landed on what beaches?\*\*\*\*
3. The British forces landed on what beaches?\*\*\*\*
4. The Canadian forces landed on what beach?\*\*\*\*
5. **The Transports:**
6. How many troops were transported in these vessels to Normandy?
7. Look at the first picture; count the number of troops in the vessel?
8. Look at the second picture; how would you feel when the transport door dropped and you were ordered to storm the beach?
9. **First Beach Scene:**
10. List six things witnessed by Pyle the morning after D Day.
11. **The Struggle:**
12. In his article Pyle states, “The advantages were all theirs, disadvantages all ours.” What advantages did the German Forces have in the invasion of Omaha Beach?
13. **The Results:**
14. Why does Pyle believe it was a miracle that the Allied forces took the beach?