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Battleship Row: The grouping of nine battleships within Pearl Harbor when the Japanese launched their attack on December 7. These ships were a primary target of the Japanese assault.

“Day of Infamy”: In his speech to Congress following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, President Roosevelt referred to December 7, 1941, as a “date which will live in infamy.” Infamy means being known for a bad reason.

Ford Island: Located in the middle of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, Ford Island’s central feature was a large airstrip, along with hangars, military buildings, and housing. Battleship Row (see above) was located alongside Ford Island.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt: (January 30, 1882– April 12, 1945), often referred to by his initials, FDR, was the thirty-second president of the United States and delivered the “Day of Infamy” speech following the attack on Pearl Harbor. FDR proved to be a popular and resourceful leader during WWII, but died before he could see the conclusion of that conflict.

Isoroku Yamamoto: (April 4, 1884–April 18, 1943) Japanese admiral who oversaw the planning for the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was later shot down and killed by US airmen.

Martial Law: The law temporarily imposed on an area by a military government, especially at times of war. Hawaii was under martial law after the attack on Pearl Harbor until the end of WWII.

Oahu: Island in the Hawaiian chain and location of Pearl Harbor and other US military bases and airfields that were attacked on December 7, 1941. Oahu is the location of Hawaii’s state capital, Honolulu.

Propaganda: Information that is widely promoted by a government in order to advance or undermine a specific cause, group, nation, etc.

“Tora! Tora! Tora!”: The code words radioed back to the attack fleet by Japanese pilots indicating that complete surprise had been achieved in their attack on Pearl Harbor.

USS Arizona: United States battleship sunk during the attack on Pearl Harbor when a Japanese bomb struck its forward magazine. Nearly half of all deaths in the attack occurred on this ship. A memorial was built on top of its sunken remains in Pearl Harbor.

World War II: A global conflict from 1939 to 1945 between Axis countries (including Germany, Japan, and Italy) and Allied countries (including the United States, United Kingdom, and Soviet Union). It was the costliest war in all of human history, with an estimated 65 million deaths worldwide. The United States did not officially enter the conflict until after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Zero: The Mitsubishi A6M Zero was a lightweight fighter aircraft operated by the Japanese Navy during the attack on Pearl Harbor and throughout the war.



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