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# World War II Spelling Challenge

What gets wetter while it dries? A towel!

For each question below a number of similar words appear, but only one is spelled correctly and matches the clue that is provided. Write the letter of the correctly spelled word in the space by the question number.

(Image courtesy of National Archives and Records Administration.)



- \_\_\_ 1. A. Dictater B. Dictator C. Dictator  
A ruler who is unconstrained by law
- \_\_\_ 2. A. Enola Gay B. Ennola Gay C. Enola Gae  
Nickname for the American plane that dropped the Atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan.
- \_\_\_ 3. A. Allies B. Alies C. Allies  
The alliance of Britain, France and Russia
- \_\_\_ 4. A. Benito Mussolini B. Benito Musssolini C. Benito Mussolinni  
Italian fascist dictator
- \_\_\_ 5. A. Rosie the Rivetir B. Rosie the Riveter C. Rosei the Riveter  
Cultural icon representing the women who worked in factories during World War II
- \_\_\_ 6. A. Nazo B. Nazi C. Nazi  
A German member of Adolf Hitler's political party
- \_\_\_ 7. A. Word War II B. World War II C. World Wer II  
A war in which Great Britain, France, the Soviet Union, the United States, China, and other allies defeated Germany, Italy, and Japan. (1939-1945)
- \_\_\_ 8. A. Axise B. Axis C. Adis  
The alliance of Italy, Germany and Japan
- \_\_\_ 9. A. Dwight D. Eisenhowir B. Dwight D. Eisenhowr C. Dwight D. Eisenhower  
United States general who supervised the invasion of Normandy and the defeat of Nazi Germany; 34th President of the United States
- \_\_\_ 10. A. Joseph Stalin B. Josef Stalin C. Joseph Stilin  
Communist dictator of Soviet Union
- \_\_\_ 11. A. Minhattan Project B. Manhattan Project C. Manhatjan Project  
Code name for the secret United States project set up in 1942 to develop atomic bombs for use in World War II
- \_\_\_ 12. A. Hary S. Truman B. Harry S. Truman C. Harry S. Trumal  
Became 33rd President of the United States on Roosevelt's death in 1945 and was elected President in 1948; authorized the use of atomic bombs against Japan
- \_\_\_ 13. A. Atomik Bomb B. Atomic Bomb C. Atomic Bomh  
A nuclear weapon in which enormous energy is released by nuclear fission
- \_\_\_ 14. A. Adolf Hitlr B. Adolf Hitlir C. Adolf Hitler  
German Nazi dictator during World War II

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# Boot Camp

Read each paragraph below. Identify the problem and the solution in each paragraph.

1. The military could not send untrained men into combat. The men were first sent to boot camp to learn rigorous discipline, combat skills, and team-building skills. Boot camp was also called basic training.

**Problem:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Solution:** \_\_\_\_\_

2. Servicemen often received uniforms that were either too tight or too loose, and nothing was done about it. Their shoes were another matter, however. Everyone needed properly fitted shoes because of the long marches they would undertake. To find the right size for a serviceman's shoes, a supply sergeant would measure a recruit's feet at their widest when he was carrying two buckets of sand. That was roughly equivalent to an infantryman's fifty-pound backpack.

**Problem:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Solution:** \_\_\_\_\_

3. Boot camp mixed people together from many different cultural, educational, and religious backgrounds. At first, this resulted in a lot of bullying and prejudice among the men. As they learned to work together and to depend on each other, their prejudice gave way to tolerance, respect, and friendship.

**Problem:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Solution:** \_\_\_\_\_

4. Servicemen needed specialized skills. For example, paratroopers needed to practice jumping from airplanes. Infantrymen needed to learn how to coordinate their assaults with the heavy, mounted guns of the artillery. For this reason, servicemen received more training after boot camp.

**Problem:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Solution:** \_\_\_\_\_

