

# Pearl Harbor Reading Questions

## The Attack

1. Why was Pearl Harbor attacked?
2. What did the US do when they became concerned about the Japanese ambitions? Who joined them?
3. Who did the Japanese believe to be their only threat in the Pacific?
4. Who was in command of the US forces at Pearl Harbor and what were their duties?
5. When was the first warning of a possible attack on Pearl Harbor sent?
6. What was the response of the army staff in Washington? Why?
7. What was lacking in the United States?
8. What helped the Japanese to achieve surprise?
9. What early warnings came the day of the attack? What was done about them?
10. What targets did the first wave concentrate on?

11. What was the code word used by the Japanese to indicate they achieved surprise?

12. What did the second wave focus on?

13. What was the US very fortunate to not have happen?

### **After The Attack**

14. What happened on the island of Niihau?

15. What did the US fear might happen to Hawaii? What did the government do?

16. What happened to Japanese residents of Hawaii and the West Coast during WWII?

### **Who was Involved?**

17. Who was Hideki Tojo? What happened to him?

18. Who was Admiral Yamamoto? What happened to him? What did he do?

19. Who was Dorie Miller? What did he do at Pearl Harbor? What happened to Dorie Miller?