

Cinderella on the Left - Question sheet

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National Film Board - "Canada At War Series"
Part 10 - "Cinderella On The Left"

During today's class you will be watching "Cinderella On The Left," which details the activities of First Canadian Army after the D-Day landings and the Battle of Normandy in June 1944.

By August 1944, the Allied Command asked First Canadian Army to clear the German defenders from the French channel seaports and towns north of the Normandy beachhead. As well, at the end of August, the Canadians were given the additional job of liberating Belgium and moving on into the Netherlands.

While viewing the movie, answer the questions below. The answers are found within the film. At the end of class, pair up and compare your answers. In cases where you may have different answers, discuss the material and determine which answer, if any, is correct.

Multiple Choice (circle the correct answer)

1. The German V1 rocket, or "buzz bomb," was also know by another name. It was
 - a. Challenger
 - b. Mercury
 - c. Doodle Bug
 - d. Polaris
2. The V1 rocket travelled at a speed of
 - a. 150 miles per hour (mph)
 - b. 250 mph
 - c. 366 mph
 - d. 400 mph

3. A single Canadian fighter plane squadron shot down this many German V1 rockets
 - a. 73
 - b. 82
 - c. 96
 - d. 110
4. The Pas de Calais was cleared and in Allied hands by
 - a. August 10, 1944
 - b. September 7, 1944
 - c. September 22, 1944
 - d. October 20, 1944
5. A German V2 rocket weighed approximately
 - a. 5 tons
 - b. 13.5 tons
 - c. 26.8 tons
 - d. 55 tons

True or False (circle the correct answer)

6. Canadian troops liberated the French capital of Paris. T or F
7. Harry Crerar commanded the First Canadian Army as it moved into Belgium. T or F
8. 800 Allied bombers opened the Canadian attack on Boulogne. T or F
9. It took Canadian soldiers six days to capture Boulogne from its German defenders.
T or F
10. British Field Marshal Montgomery planned to drop a British Airborne Division behind the German lines to seize the bridgehead at Arnhem. T or F

Fill In The Blanks (Insert the correct answer in the blank provided)

11. In the video, two Canadian soldiers pull one of their _____ out of the barrel of a large cannon to demonstrate the size of the captured guns/cannons in the French port city of Boulogne.
12. As many as _____ German divisions defended the Scheldt Estuary.
13. The _____ Canal was the site of the first Canadian attack in the Battle for the Scheldt.
14. In the movie, there is an image of two Dutch women and a man trying to stay dry while they slowly move about their community during flooding. They are using four _____, moving the one at the end of the line to the front, and so on, to move through the water-filled streets.
15. The Battle of the Scheldt lasted _____ month(s) and _____ days.

Short Answer:

16. Using visual images in the movie, describe the many obstacles that the Canadian troops encountered during the Battle of the Scheldt.
17. From what you saw in the movie, describe some of the challenges that the Dutch people faced during the Second World War.
18. In what ways did the Canadians give a merry and happy Christmas to the Dutch children?