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# WAR!

(hnh! Good God! What is it good for?)

## FREE-RANGE WAR!

Who said "War is hell"?

Who had these (somewhat) nice words to say about war: "War is an unmitigated evil. But it certainly does one good thing. It drives away fear and brings bravery to the surface"?

By far, what commander conquered the most territory (estimated at nearly 5 million square miles)?

The battle of Nagashino in 1575 was the first in Japanese history to use this Western military tactic-- and the effect was so shocking to Japan's leaders, they banned it for another 250 years. What?

During the Falkland Islands embroglio, the ship carrying Prince Albert was shot by Argentina. As Al and the British sailors waited to be plucked from their sinking deck, what song did they all sing?

What do the following legendary battles have in common: Lepanto, Salamis, Campertown, Navarino, Tsushima, and Jutland?

79 countries signed the Kellogg-Briand pact in 1928. What fundamental change in warfare was this agreement intended to accomplish?

Which war lasted 116 years?

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## AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY **WAR!**

What did Dr. Samuel Prescott accomplish on April 18, 1775 that a more noted American hero could not?

After what battle did American Nathanael Green say, noting the lopsided casualty list, "I wish we could sell them another hill at the same price."

In what Winston Churchill would call one of the most pivotal battles of the American Revolution, an American force turned back the British fleet descending from Canada in the battle of Valcour's Island. Who led the Americans in this battle and arguably saved the American cause?

What was the significance of "Private Robert Shurtleff" who served in the 4th Massachusetts regiment during the war?

How did George Washington die?

## CIVIL **WAR!**

When Maj. Robert Anderson was an artillery instructor at West Point, he broke with tradition and kept one particularly skillful student on as his assistant for another year. How would this come back to haunt him, after his transfer to a different fort?

Union General McClellan ignored the significance of three wrapped cigars found in a Maryland field in September 1862. Big mistake. Why?

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**History repeating itself, part one:**

What (unsuccessful) ploy was attempted by Confederate President Jefferson Davis just before his capture by Union troops-- a ploy repeated with equal non-success by Benito Mussolini some 60 years later?

**History repeating itself, part two:**

Henry Wirz, the only Confederate officer executed for "war crimes," had what job?

Who fired the first shot upon Fort Sumter?

After shooting Lincoln, John Wilkes Booth broke his leg leaping to the stage. While on the loose, his injuries were treated by a Doctor Mudd. What long-used derogatory phrase resulted from the doctor's unwitting efforts?

## **WORLD WAR! 2**

How did Representative Jeanette Rankin manage to make herself a footnote in World War II history?

What four-letter word did General Anthony McAuliffe use in response to a German request for surrender at Bastogne during the Battle of the Bulge?

The first atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima on August 7, 1945. The second destroyed Nagasaki 2 days later, prompting immediate surrender. However, if the Japanese had NOT surrendered, where would the third atomic bomb have been targeted?

With men at war, women worked in America's factories and on its conveyor belts. Their ranks came to be represented by this single iconic character-- name her.

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## MOVIES ABOUT **WAR!**

Name the films from the descriptions.

U.S. bomber is accidentally ordered to nuke U.S.S.R., plunging heads of American and Russian governments into crisis of decision-making as time runs out. (J.R. Ewing plays the interpreter!)

A pop movie about a computer whiz-kid who taps into government early-warning system and nearly starts World War III.

Controversial Vietnam war epic, based on Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness."

British soldiers in Japanese prison camp build a bridge as a futile exercise under single-minded leadership of British colonel Alec Guinness while William Holden plots to destroy it. The writers were blacklisted, so Boule (who spoke no English) was credited with the script! Filmed in Ceylon.

U.S. President must contend with the Russians and his own political and military leaders when a fanatical general launches A-bomb attack on U.S.S.R.

Fine WW2 submarine chase tale, which manages to garner interest from usual crew interaction of U.S. vs. Germany in underwater action; the special effects for this earned Walter Rossi an Academy Award.

Adaptation of Gustav Hasford's "The Short Timers" is divided into two sections: a harrowing look at Marine basic training on Parris Island; and combat experiences in Vietnam.

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Based on Michael Shaara's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel "The Killer Angels." Look fast for filmmaker Ken Burns as General Hancock's aide and Ted Turner as a Reb foot soldier during Pickett's Charge.

Exceptional story of America's first unit of black soldiers during the Civil War and the young, inexperienced Northerner (Matthew Broderick) who's given the job of training and leading them.

Explosive action film about Allied commandos during WW2 plotting to destroy German cannons; high-powered adventure throughout this first-rate production, highlighted by Oscar-winning special effects.

Robert Altman's first major success gave new meaning to the word "irreverence," set new style for contemporary filmmaking; follows black-comedy exploits of wild and woolly medical unit during Korean War in hilarious, episodic fashion.

Superb comedy-drama with Henry Fonda recreating his favorite stage role as restless officer on WW2 cargo ship who yearns for combat action but has to contend with an irascible and eccentric captain (James Cagney) instead.

Hilarious comedy about submarine captain Cary Grant who's determined to make his injured ship seaworthy again, and con-artist Tony Curtis who wheels and deals to reach that goal.

Small-town teens become guerrilla fighters when Commies invade U.S. Good premise gunned down by purple prose and posturing--not to mention violence.

Modern-day version of Republic serial, with slam-bang cliff-hanger action that never lets up. Richard Burton and company assigned to free American officer held captive in German mountain castle during WW2.