

# USS HORNET *ready room time!* Presents

# PERMISSION TO COME ABOARD!

A Day in the Life of a USS Hornet Sailor

## **READY ROOM TIME! TEACHER'S GUIDE**

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#### **Program Description**

The USS Hornet Museum Instructor will guide the audience through a PowerPoint presentation which follows the journey of a fictional World War II sailor Kirby Kilroy from small town teen to USS *Hornet* crew member.

Our program will start with Kirby living the typical life of a WWII teen and follow him to life as a Radioman on USS *Hornet*. You will experience what life was like for a teen in the 1940s. Who were Kirby's heroes and what were his hobbies? How was Kirby's life affected by WWII, an event over which Kirby and his family had little if any control? What did Kirby and his family do to deal with the changes in their daily lives? You will experience what life was like onboard USS *Hornet* during WWII and be asked to examine what challenges you face today. This is your opportunity to virtually share a time in the life of a WWII *Hornet* sailor. Here's the opportunity to recognize your ability to overcome the challenges we face!

The program has five goals:

- To have guests compare and contrast life during World War II and present day.
- To have guests compare and contrast civilian and military lifestyles.
- To give guests a chance to think about and walk a mile in the shoes of actual sailors.
- To give students a basic sociological context for significant events and their effects on daily life.
- To have guests use problem solving skills to adjust to changes in daily life due to events that they cannot control.

### Vocabulary

The program will cover the following vocabulary:

Word	Meaning
Aft	Toward the back or tail of a ship
Afterdeck	The deck area toward back part of a ship. Enlisted personnel enter
	the ship from this area
Battle Station	The place that one is assigned to for battle or in an emergency
Berthing	Navy word for sleeping quarters
Bow	The front of the ship
Chaff	Thin pieces of <u>aluminum</u> thrown from planes to confuse enemy
	radar. In World War II the first countermeasure to radar.

Cobbler Shop	The shoe repair shop onboard a ship
Copper	A precious metal needed for electrical systems
Corpsman	An enlisted man trained to give medical aid
Cryptography	A way of keeping messages secret
Ensign	Naval word for a flag that is flown by a ship as the symbol of nationality
Flight Deck	The flight deck of an <u>aircraft carrier</u> is the <u>surface</u> from which its <u>aircraft</u> take off and land
Forward	Toward the front of the ship
GeDunk	Area of ship to buy ice cream, candy, potato chips, and other snack foods
General Quarters	The announcement for "All hands man your battle stations"
Hanger Deck	The area of the ship where aircraft are stored and repaired
Head	The bathroom on a ship. The term comes from the days when the Navy used sailing ships. The 'head' on a sailing ship is located all the way forward, where the figurehead was attached to the hull. Thus, the name arrived from the figurehead on the sailing ship. On either side of the bow next to the figurehead, the crew could relieve themselves.
Morse Code	Morse code uses <i>dots</i> and <i>dashes</i> to represent the <u>alphabet letters</u> , <u>numbers</u> , <u>punctuation</u>
Navy Shower	A very short shower with 30 seconds of water to wet yourself, a minute to soap up, and 30 seconds of water to rinse off
Newsreels	a short film that reported the news and that was shown in movie theaters
Nickle	A precious metal needed to make munitions
Port	The left side of the ship
Quarterdeck	Part of the main (or other) deck reserved for honors and ceremonies and the entrance for officers entering the ship
Rack	Navy word for bed
Radio Central	Part of the ship where messages were received and transmitted
Radioman	Person who received and transmitted messages
Ration Card	Ration cards told a family how much of certain products they were allowed each month. Products almost everything particularly meat, sugar, butter. Once you used your ration for the month, you needed to wait until the next month to get more.
Reveille	A loud signal to get up
Sick Bay	A compartment in a ship used as a dispensary and hospital
Starboard	The right side of a ship

Typewriter	A machine for writing in characters similar to those produced by printer's type by means of keyboard-operated types striking a ribbon to transfer ink or carbon impressions onto the paper
Victory Garden	A wartime vegetable garden developed to increase food production especially by home gardeners
WAVES	Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service "WAVES" was the US Naval Reserve Women's branch established on July 21, 1942.

#### Pre and Post-Materials for Students

You will be provided the following materials:

#### **Pre-Materials**

- Crossword Puzzle (words used are the same as the Vocabulary listed above and are referenced in the presentation)
  - o Crossword Key is included below in this document
- Reflection Worksheet

#### Post-Materials

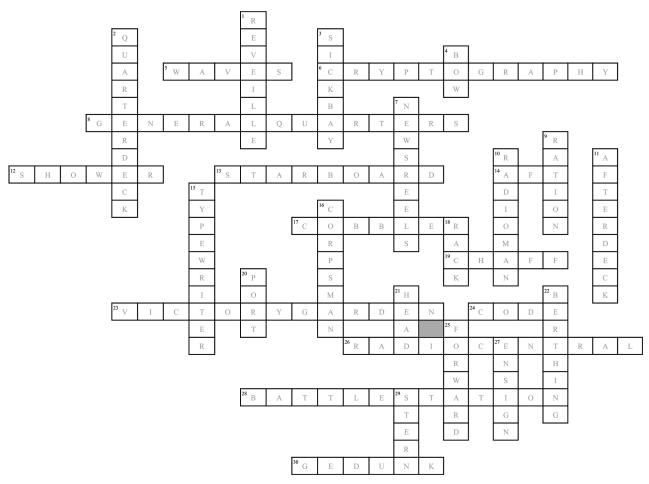
Post-Program Challenge Workheet

#### **Formal Outline**

- Initial Instructor Introduction (3-5 minutes)
  - o Active Instruction with PowerPoint visual aid (25 35 minutes)
  - o Kirby's life and small town during the 1940s
  - Describing the event that changed Kirby's and his family lives, the attack on Pearl Harbor and the U.S. officially entering World War 2
  - o Describe how Kirby and his family helped with the War Effort
  - Describe how Kirby and his family stayed informed
  - o Describe how Kirby decided to join the Navy
  - o Describe Kirby's training as a Radioman and learning new skills
  - o Describe Kirby's journey to join the crew of the USS Hornet in the Pacific
  - o Tour the Ship with Kirby and explore his new life aboard an aircraft carrier
- Conclusion
  - o Thank all for attending and review the Post-Program Challenge Sheet



## Permission to Come Aboard! Crossword Key



#### Across

- 5. Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service
- 6. A way of keeping messages secret
- 8. The announcement for "All hands man your battle stations"
- 12. A very short shower Navy
- 13. The right side of a ship
- 14. Toward the back or tail of a ship
- 17. The shoe repair onboard a ship
- 19. Thin pieces of aluminum thrown from planes to confuse enemy radar
- $\textbf{23.} \ \textbf{A} \ \text{wartime vegetable garden developed to increase food production by home gardeners}$
- **24.** Dots and dashes to represent the alphabet letters, numbers, punctuation Morse
- 26. Area where messages were received and transmitted
- 28. The place that one is assigned for battle
- 30. Area to buy ice cream and snack foods

#### Down

- 1. A loud signal to get up
- 2. Part of the main deck reserved for honors and ceremonies and the entrance for officers
- 3. A area used as a dispensary and hospital
- 4. the front of the ship
- 7. short film that reported the news and was shown in movie theaters
- 9. Cards told a family how much of certain products they were allowed each month
- 10. Person who received and transmitted messages
- 11. The deck area toward back part of a ship. Enlisted entered here
- 15. A machine for writing in characters
- 16. An enlisted man trained to give medical aid
- 18. Navy word for bed
- 20. The left side of the ship
- 21. The bathroom on a ship
- 22. Navy word for sleeping quarters
- 25. Toward the front of the ship
- 27. Naval word for a national flag
- 29. The rear of a ship