1. Have these in your notes if you don’t already:

-Kamikaze pilots crashed their planes into Allied ships. Many kamikaze pilots struck their targets because they were hard to shoot down. This caused heavy damage to allied ships and killed thousands

-Island hopping – Allied forces would land only on the most important islands, thus isolating Japanese troops on bypassed island. This also saved many American lives.

-Kamikaze pilots crashed into ships off the coast of Okinawa

-Okinawa took 3 months to capture. Hundreds of thousands of Japanese soldiers died there along with thousands of civilians. Tens of thousands of allied soldiers died and wounded (hurt)

-Thousands of Americans died taking Iwo Jima and tens of thousands of Japanese soldiers died

-US aircraft carriers battling with planes turned the war against the Japanese. These were the first battles in history that had the enemy ships not seeing each other because they were so far away.

1. –Women Air force Service Pilots (WASPS) flew planes to airbases once they were produced (often in factories where women took the jobs men had before the war)

-This program was not publicized well because at the time women were not given a wide range of job opportunities

-Traditional ideas about the differences between men and women led to men not believing women would be strong enough to fly planes

-These women were classified as civilians (not in the military) so they were not paid like soldiers