The National WWII Museum asks

Why should we Remember Pearl Harbor?

2011 Middle School Essay Contest

Here's What To Do:

In your own words, write a short persuasive essay telling us if you think it is important for students your age to "Remember Pearl Harbor." And, if so, why and how should they remember it? With all of the things that students must learn about in school, should classes take the time to study Pearl Harbor and America's entry into World War II seventy years ago?

You can write about historical events, character traits such as courage, teamwork and sacrifice, or how our lives still are (or are not) effected by a world war that took place 70 years ago.

WWII Museum staff will read and evaluate entries.

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The Museum will select one winning essay from each grade. Winners will receive a $250 prize. Three honorable mentions from each grade will receive a WWII Museum baseball cap.

Winning essays will be posted on The National WWII Museum's web site. The honorable mentions will be listed on our web site.

- Contest is open to all **students in grades 5-8** in the United States, United States Territories, and U.S. military bases.
- Your essay must be **500 words or less**. Only one essay per student may be submitted.
- Essays must be submitted through The National WWII Museum's Essay Contest web site by **March 31, 2011**, 5:00pm CST.
- Museum will accept the **first 500** properly formatted entries only. The website will indicate when 500 essays have been submitted.

Go to www.nationalww2museum.org/essaycontests
for thematic guidelines, formatting requirements, & submission instructions.

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