Japan and World War II: Decipher the Code – Answer Key

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Crack the code and decipher each series of numbers to complete the statements.

1) Japan seized 13-1-14-3-8-21-18-9-1 in 1931.
   MANCHURIA

2) The second Sino-Japanese War began in 1937 when Japan attacked 3-8-9-14-1.
   CHINA

3) Many Filipinos and Americans died during the 2-1-20-1-1-14 Death March in the Philippines.
   BATAAN

4) Thousands of Chinese women and girls were brutally raped during what is known as the “Rape of
   14-1-14-11-9-14-7.”
   NANKING

5) In 1940, the United States enacted a complete 5-13-2-1-18-7-15 against all American exports to Japan.
   EMBARGO

   TOJO

   PEARL HARBOR

8) Fought from the air, the allies won the battle of 13-9-4-23-1-25 in June, 1942.
   MIDWAY

9) General Douglas 13-1-3-1-18-20-8-21-18 served as Supreme Allied Commander in the Pacific.
   MacARTHUR

10) The policy of 9-19-12-1-14-4 – 8-15-16-16-9-14-7 involved capturing strategic islands in a move to eventually
    reach Japan.
    ISLAND-HOPPING

11) Japanese who, on suicide missions, flew their airplanes into American warships were known as 11-1-13-9-11-1-
    26-5 pilots.
    KAMIKAZE

12) Participants in the 13-1-14-8-1-20-20-1-14 Project created the first atomic bomb.
    MANHATTAN

13) The first atomic bomb was dropped on 8-9-18-15-19-8-9-13-1, Japan, on August 6, 1945.
    HIROSHIMA

14) The second atomic bomb was dropped on 14-1-7-1-19-1-11-9, Japan, on August 9, 1945.
    NAGASAKI