15. From 1966 to 1969, Intrepid served off the coast of Vietnam. Ships like Intrepid displayed a symbol on the island and joined an unofficial “club.” What was the name of this club?

Many different types of aircraft served on board Intrepid. Now part of a Museum, Intrepid displays aircraft with varying technology from different countries.

16. Find the aircraft with propeller engines on its wings and a large dome on top. What is the aircraft’s name, and what was in this dome?

17. The fastest aircraft that took off from and landed on Intrepid has a shark mouth painted on it. Which aircraft is this, and how fast could it fly?

18. There are several aircraft on display that were built in countries other than the United States. Can you find one? What is it called?

What is one interesting fact about this aircraft?

ON YOUR WAY HOME

Up to 3,000 men served aboard Intrepid at any one time. As you can imagine, there was not much room for sleeping and eating. If you visited the berthing and mess deck areas on the third deck, you saw the three-man lockers that each crew member was assigned. Crew members had to choose personal items carefully.

What are the top four items you would bring with you if you were part of the Intrepid crew?

1) ____________________________ 2) ____________________________  
3) ____________________________ 4) ____________________________

YOU HAVE REACHED THE END OF THE HUNT!

Thank you for joining us! We hope you had fun and enjoyed learning about Intrepid’s role as an aircraft carrier and what life at sea was like for Intrepid crew members. We look forward to seeing you again!

WELCOME TO THE INTREPID SEA, AIR & SPACE MUSEUM!

You are on a type of ship called an aircraft carrier. Aircraft carriers are floating airports, and they have a very important job in the U.S. Navy. Intrepid was an active Navy ship from 1943 until 1974. Today you are going to search for clues that tell you how Intrepid worked and about life at sea for an Intrepid crew member. We will begin the search on the hangar deck at the Information Desk.
MESS DECK
OUR NEXT STOP IS THE THIRD DECK, OR THE MESS DECK. FIND YOUR WAY DOWN BY ELEVATOR OR TAKE STAIR F.

7. Locate the area that looks like a kitchen. On a ship, the kitchen is called the _____________________________.

8. This space prepared three meals a day for __________________ crew members, for a total of ____________________ meals each day. That’s a lot of food!

9. Find a spot where crew members ate their meals. To help boost the spirits of the crew members on Intrepid, this space was decorated with many unusual objects. Write down three that you see.

10. Next to the eating area is a large space where 33 enlisted crew members slept. What is this sleeping space aboard the ship called?

11. The beds in this space are called racks. How are the racks attached to the ship?

12. Past the eating area are staterooms. How many crew members slept in one of these staterooms?

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HANGAR DECK
BY THE INFORMATION DESK IS AN OUTLINE OF INTREPID NEXT TO A NEW YORK CITY SKYSCRAPER. THE OUTLINE SHOWS THAT INTREPID IS ALMOST AS LONG AS THE CHRYSLER BUILDING IS TALL!

1. The Chrysler Building is _________ feet tall. Intrepid’s length is 134 feet shorter, which makes Intrepid’s length _________ feet.

2. Walk around to the other side of the wall. Find the model that shows how Intrepid looked when it was built in 1943. One of the blue and white aircraft on the model is also on display on the hangar deck, the level you are on right now. Find it. What is its name?

3. Behind the tail of this blue and white aircraft is a display about pilots. One of the items in the case was worn by a pilot. This item is yellow and has the word SPOONER written on it. What is this item?

4. The hangar deck functioned like a garage where aircraft were repaired and refueled. Nearby are two grey wheels and purple pipes. What was the purpose of this equipment?

5. The crew members who worked on this equipment wore purple shirts. What was their nickname?

6. On Intrepid, crew members wore colored shirts that indicated their jobs. Crew members wearing blue shirts moved airplanes. Crew members wearing red shirts were responsible for handling bombs. Crew members wearing green shirts worked on equipment that helped aircraft take off and land. To take off from the flight deck, aircraft were attached to catapults, which acted like aircraft slingshots. Near the Information Desk you will find equipment and white pipes that powered the catapults. What is this equipment called?

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FLIGHT DECK
OUR NEXT STOP IS THE FLIGHT DECK. FIND YOUR WAY UP BY ELEVATOR, WALK UP TOWER 1, WALK THROUGH THE FO’C’SLE, OR WALK THROUGH THE COMBAT INFORMATION CENTER.

Find the island, the part of the ship that rises above the flight deck. The island is topped with antennas.

13. Locate the large number made out of white canvas on the side of the island. Write that number in the next two blanks.

14. The designation for an aircraft carrier during World War II was “CV.” Intrepid’s designation at that time was CV-________. The number means Intrepid was the ________th aircraft carrier ordered and built by the U.S. Navy.