

# The National WWII Museum needs Plane Spotters!



During World War II, the United States built 300,000 airplanes to help win the war. Other countries, like Great Britain, Germany, and Japan, built hundreds of thousands more. With so many planes in the sky, it was important to be able to tell our **friends** from our **enemies**.

**YOUR MISSION: Find all 10 airplanes on display at the Museum.**

The six planes on this page can be found in US Freedom Pavilion: The Boeing Center.

**1** **I FOUND IT!**

**CLUE:** The pilots who flew these planes were nicknamed "Red Tails."

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_

**2** **I FOUND IT!**

**CLUE:** The bent shape of my wings allows me to have a larger propeller and therefore more speed.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_

**3** **I FOUND IT!**

**CLUE:** Check out my bomb bay doors. There's a torpedo inside.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_

**4** **I FOUND IT!**

**CLUE:** I'm the biggest plane here. Go to the 4th floor to meet me face to face.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_

**5** **I FOUND IT!**

**CLUE:** My bomb and my "holey" wing flaps tell you I'm a dive bomber.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_

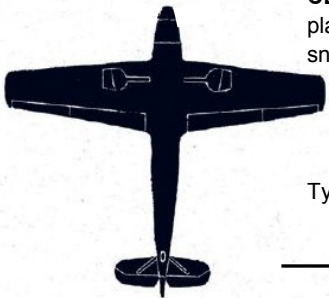
**6** **I FOUND IT!**

**CLUE:** Check out my nose guns up front and my horizontal tail fins behind.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_

The two planes below can be found in the Campaigns of Courage Pavilion.

7 **I FOUND IT!**

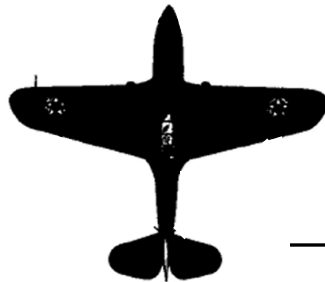


**CLUE:** I'm the only enemy plane here, so don't let me sneak up on you.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_



8 **I FOUND IT!**



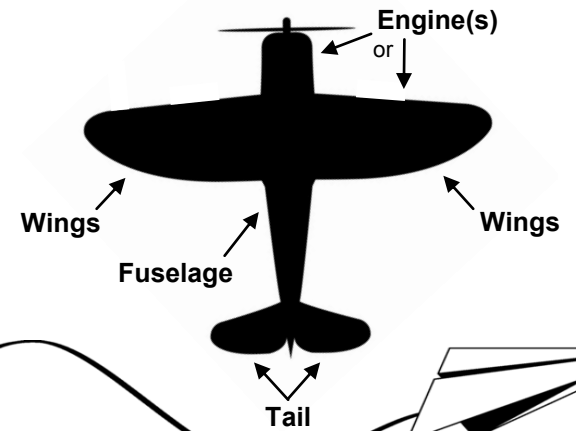
**CLUE:** Even though I look like a shark, the pilots that flew me were called "Flying Tigers."

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_



**W. E. F. T.**

When studying a plane's outline, remember WEFT: details in the **W**ings, **E**ngine(s), **F**uselage, and **T**ail.



The two planes below can be found in the Louisiana Memorial Pavilion.

9 **I FOUND IT!**

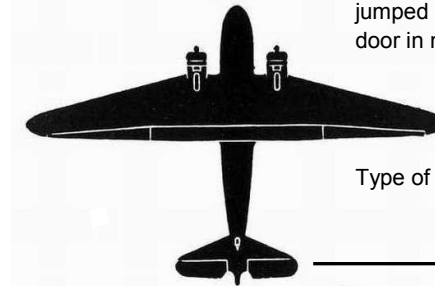


**CLUE:** My circular red, white, and blue emblem shows that I'm a British fighter plane.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_



10 **I FOUND IT!**



**CLUE:** Paratroopers jumped out of the open door in my fuselage.

Type of airplane: \_\_\_\_\_



Draw your own plane or planes here.

Planes not shown to scale.



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