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Ga'an Point History Hunt

Student Name: _____

Ga'an Point is one of the sites of the southern landing beach. It was here that the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade and the 77th Army Infantry Division came ashore. Find out more about what happened at this historic location by reading the signs located around the park.

Ga'an Point

The American troops' inland objectives in landing here were to secure the highlands of Mount _____ and Orote Peninsula.

Japanese Stronghold

Identify the Japanese Stronghold on the maps at Ga'an Point. The limestone outcrop that is a hill covered in grass that you see today was once a disguised Japanese fortress that poured deadly fire on US troops landing here.

How many pillboxes are in the Japanese stronghold? _____ How many cave shelters in the Japanese stronghold?

Japanese Anti-aircraft Gun

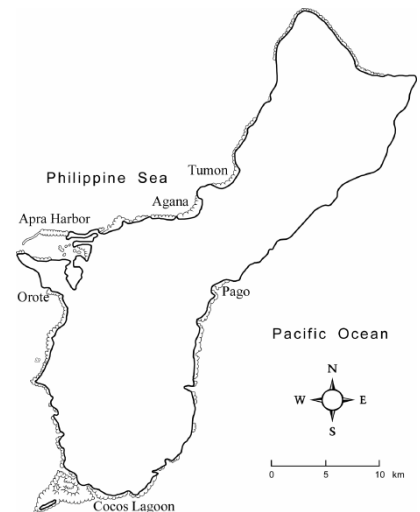
What are the three flags that represent the people who are being commemorated?



The picture on the left is of a Japanese _____ mm anti-aircraft gun in a sandbag emplacement.

Orote Peninsula

Americans landed at Ga'an Point to take the Orote Peninsula because it offered a large harbor and flat terrain with an existing airstrip for planes. Taking control of Orote would help the Americans retake Guam from the Japanese. Label where Ga'an Point is on the map to the right:



Agat Landing Beach

Through machine gun and mortar fire, thousands of US Marines followed by the 77th Army Infantry came ashore along Ga'an Point on this day:

Securing the beachhead was only the beginning of a _____-week campaign. The entire island was declared secure on August 10, 1944.

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Ga'an Point History Hunt Answer Sheet

The American troops' inland objectives were the highlands of Mount Alifan and Orote Peninsula.

How many pillboxes are in the Japanese stronghold? 3

How many cave shelters are in the Japanese stronghold? 4

What three flags represent the people who are commemorated at this historic location?
Chamorros, Japanese, Americans

The picture below is a Japanese 25 mm anti-aircraft gun in a sandbag emplacement.

Ga'an Point is the beach area located south of Orote Peninsula.

Through machine gun fire and mortar fire and the smoke of burning amphetamine, thousands of US Marines followed by the 77th Army Infantry came ashore along this beach on July 21, 1944.

Securing the beachhead was only the beginning of a three-week campaign.

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