DESTROYER ESCORT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

USS SLATER DE766

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USS SLATER - Naval Legends

Accompanying Questions

- 1. What was the purpose of merchant ships traveling to Europe?
- 2. Why were destroyer escorts chosen to escort merchant ships?
- 3. Compared to prisoners of the time, how much personally space did sailors have aboard destroyer escorts?
- 4. How many miles could USS SLATER travel?
- 5. Why were most DE's carrying 3-inch guns instead of 5-inch?
- 6. How do depth charges work?
- 7. Why were the hedgehog projectiles so important to anti-submarine warfare?
- 8. Why was it so important to have a captain that was an expert navigator?
- 9. Why did the British dislike the 3-inch gun?
- 10. What effect did DE's have on WWII overall? What may have been different if they had never been built?