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***It's Now or Never! The Meuse Argonne Offensive***  
*Student Answers*

**THE "BATTLEFIELD"**

**Q1** – What was the area (in square miles) of the Meuse Argonne "battlefield"?

**DAY ONE**

**Q2** - Describe the geography and landscapes of **Day One** using the map and the pictures provided.

**Q3** – Look at the advancement lines and describe any patterns you see. Are they close together and/or spread out? Many lines together suggest that the area met lots of resistance/fighting. Which areas appear most contested during **day one**?

<i>PATTERNS</i>	
<i>CONTESTED AREAS</i>	

**Q4**– What feature(s) on the map appear to have been the American Expeditionary Force's (AEF) objective on **Day One**?

**Q5** – How much ground did the AEF gain control of during **Day One**?

**PHASE ONE**

**Q6** - Describe the geography and landscapes of Phase One using the map and the pictures provided.

**Q7** - Look at the advancement lines and describe any patterns you see. Are they close together and/or spread out? Many lines together suggest that the area met lots of resistance/fighting. Which areas appear most contested during Phase One?

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**Q8** – What features on the map appear to have been the American Expeditionary Force’s (AEF) objective during **Phase One**?

**Q9** – How much ground did the AEF gain control of during **Phase One**?

**PHASE TWO**

**Q10** - Describe the geography and landscapes of **Phase Two** using the map and the pictures provided.

**Q11**- Look at the advancement lines and describe any patterns you see. Are they close together and/or spread out? Many lines together suggest that the area met lots of resistance/fighting. Which areas appear most contested during **Phase Two**?

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**Q12**– What features on the map appear to have been the American Expeditionary Force’s (AEF) objective during **Phase Two**?

**Q13** – How much ground did the AEF gain control of during **Phase Two**?

**PHASE THREE**

**Q14** - Describe the geography and landscapes of **Phase Three** using the map and the pictures provided.

**Q15**- Look at the advancement lines and describe any patterns you see. Are they close together and/or spread out? Many lines together suggest that the area met lots of resistance/fighting. Which areas appear most contested during **Phase Three**?

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**Q16** – What features on the map appear to have been the American Expeditionary Force’s (AEF) objective during **Phase Three**?

**Q17** – How much ground did the AEF gain control of during **Phase Three**?

#### **PHASE FOUR**

**Q18** - Describe the geography and landscapes of **Phase Four** using the map and the pictures provided.

**Q19**- Look at the advancement lines and describe any patterns you see. Are they close together, spread out? Many lines together suggest that the area met lots of resistance/fighting. Which areas appear most contested during **Phase Four**?

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**Q20**– What features on the map appear to have been the American Expeditionary Force’s (AEF) objective during **Phase Four**?

**Q21**– How much ground did the AEF gain control of during **Phase Four**?

**Q22** – What were the options of the German Army during **Phase Four**?

**Q23** - What were the options of the American Army during **Phase Four**?

**PRIMARY FOCUS**

**Q24**– What does General Pershing note about the weather during this battle? Why do you think he chose to make note of this when reflecting on this battle?

**Q25** – Pershing’s remarks includes the following statements:

***“The Meuse Argonne Battle presented numerous difficulties seemingly insurmountable.”***

***“one of the greatest achievements in the history of American Arms?”***

From what you have seen in the maps and images from this battle **identify and explain 3-5 reasons** Pershing would make these bold statements about the Meuse Argonne Offensive’s place in American history.