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The Tuskegee Airmen- The African American Pilots of WWII

Answer the following questions based on the article provided.

<https://www.nationalww2museum.org/sites/default/files/2017-07/tuskegee-airmen.pdf>

Multiple Choice:

1. What was the main obstacle faced by African Americans who wanted to become military pilots before the Tuskegee Airmen?
 - A) Lack of interest in aviation
 - B) The Jim Crow laws
 - C) Limited access to education
 - D) Discrimination by European allies
2. Which air base trained the Tuskegee Airmen?
 - A) Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
 - B) Andrews Air Force Base
 - C) Tuskegee Army Airfield
 - D) Lackland Air Force Base
3. What was the nickname given to the Tuskegee Airmen's planes?
 - A) Blue Birds
 - B) Yellow Jackets
 - C) Red Tails
 - D) Green Hornets

True/False Questions:

4. True or False: The Tuskegee Airmen flew both patrol and attack missions during World War II.
 - A) True
 - B) False
5. True or False: The Tuskegee Airmen had one of the highest loss records of any escort fighter group during World War II.
 - A) True
 - B) False

Short Answer Questions: Answer the following questions in 2-3 full sentences.

6. Explain what the significance of the Tuskegee Airmen in the context of World War II and civil rights history in the United States is. Why do you think it was important for African Americans to serve during World War Two? Do you think it helped in the fight for equal rights for African Americans?

7. How did C. Alfred "Chief" Anderson contribute to the recognition of the Tuskegee Airmen?

8. What were the achievements and awards earned by the Tuskegee Airmen during World War II and what was their impact on the military and society?

9. Why were the Tuskegee Airmen referred to as the "Red Tails"? What significance did this nickname hold for them?

10. Reflect on the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen and their contributions to American history and the fight for equality. Why do you think that it is important to learn about their legacy and their contributions?
