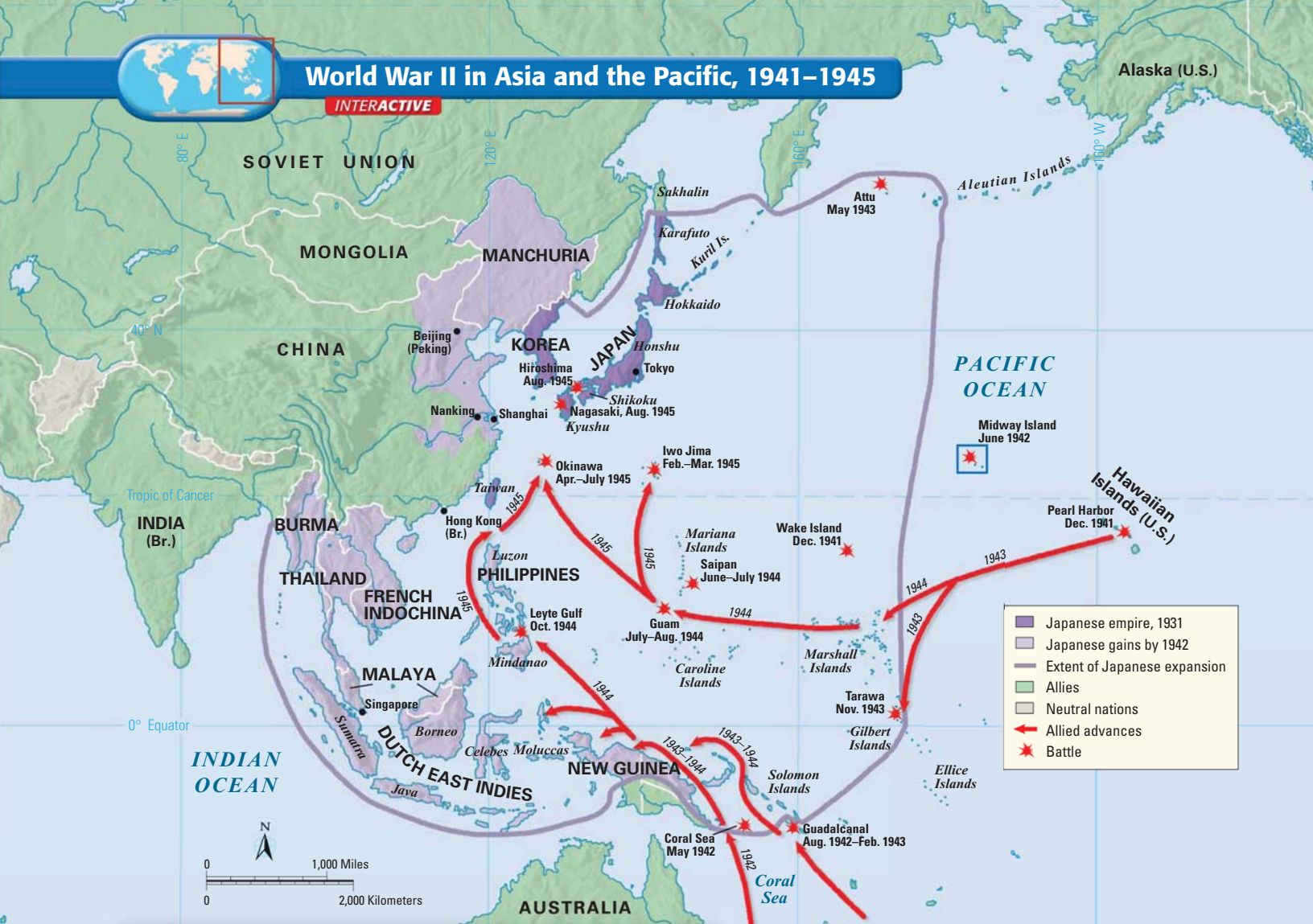


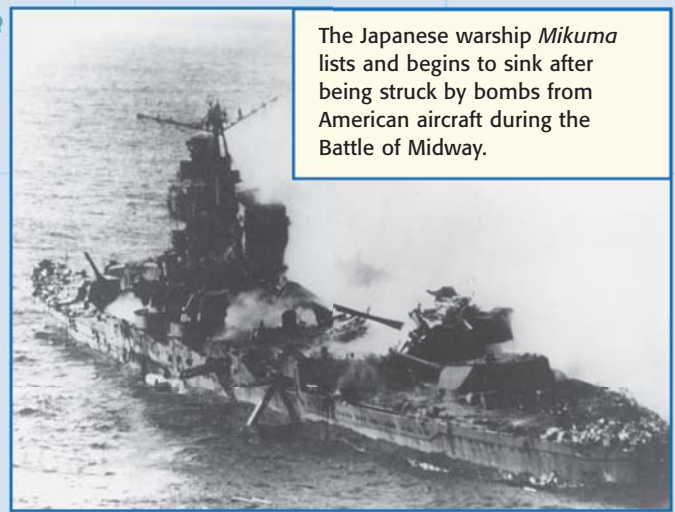
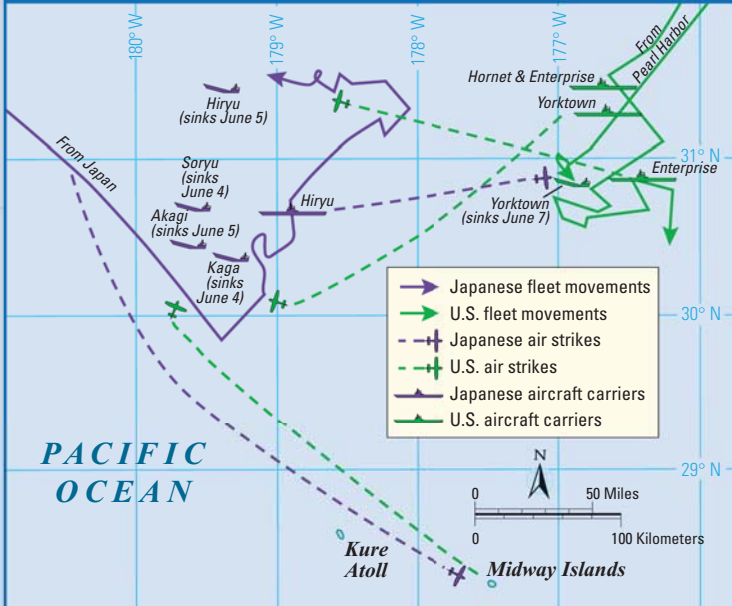
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	Japanese empire, 1931
	Japanese gains by 1942
	Extent of Japanese expansion
	Allies
	Neutral nations
	Allied advances
	Battle

Battle of Midway, June 1942



The Japanese warship *Mikuma* lists and begins to sink after being struck by bombs from American aircraft during the Battle of Midway.

Some Japanese search aircraft were late getting into the air. As a result, the Japanese were completely unaware that U.S. ships were nearby.

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- Location** Which battle was fought in the most northern region?
- Movement** From what two general directions did Allied forces move in on Japan?