

1. INTRODUCTION

On the 6th of June 1944 the Allied Forces stood poised for the invasion of France in what was to be the largest operation of its kind in the history of human warfare.

This simulation covers the actions of the British 6th Airborne Division, the first Allied troops to land on French soil. Their objective was to secure the left hand (east) flank of the D-Day beach-heads to protect the sea landings from counter attacks across the river Dives. This was to be achieved by capturing and holding (contact) two bridges over the Caen canal and river Orne, and destroying the 5 bridges over the river Dives, thus cutting a large area off from possible German reinforcements. A further objective was to capture a coastal defence battery at the mouth of the Orne, which was in a position to fire on the main sea landing area.

The first troops to land, known as the coup-de-main party, were detailed to take the bridge over the Caen canal, and this bridge was later renamed Pegasus Bridge, after the winged horse emblem of the airborne troops. Pegasus Bridge, the game, covers the period from that first landing of the coup-de-main party to the arrival on the scene of troops from the beach-heads. The plan was daring, and many things could have gone seriously wrong as the player will find out.

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(i) Getting Started

After the game has loaded there are a number of options which need to be set up before starting the game. These are presented to the player one after another and can be selected by pressing the indicated key, or by using the joystick to change the option, and fire to select it. The options are:

1. Start a new game/load a previously saved game
2. One player vs computer/2 players demonstration mode
3. British or German side
4. Level of difficulty 1-3

The game then begins.

Restoring a saved game can only be done at the start of a game. However, any non-demonstration game can be saved at the start of any British turn, after turn 1, and this option will be offered by the computer. Remember to use a fresh tape or diskette if you do not wish to overwrite previously saved games.

(ii) Playing the Game

The game is divided into turns, each representing 30 minutes. The British and German sides play alternate turns. Each turn is divided into 5 phases:

1. Reinforcement allocation phase
2. Support allocation phase
3. Orders phase
4. Reinforcement arrival phase
5. Support phase

Each of these phases is described in detail in the following sections.

(a) Reinforcement Allocation Phase:

The player will find it useful to refer to the map whilst playing through this phase.

In this phase the player selects the intended arrival area of any reinforcements scheduled to arrive at the end of the ORDERS phase. Each unit will be offered in turn, with its historical arrival point displayed, and the player will be offered one of the range of alternative arrival points available to its units. The alternative points may be paged through, by use of the joystick or cursor keys, and final selection will be actioned when 'FIRE' or 'SPACE' is depressed. The computer will check the order and reject it if it is not permitted for the unit to arrive at that particular site.

A typical selection would look like this:

Air CON	ARRIVES AT	Y	X
Unit identity	Historic Arrival Point		
When selection of arrival, a rough map of the playing area, with the arrival points identified, may be viewed by selecting 'Y' and pressing 'FIRE' or 'SPACE'.			

The airborne British Forces may only arrive at landing or dropping zone locations, lettered K, N, V, W, X and Y, and later in the game commands and tanks arrive at locations A and B as they move up from the beaches. Gliderborne troops can only arrive at N, W, X and Y.

German anti-aircraft fire destroyed or damaged many of the tugs (towing aircraft) and troop transports, causing the transports to jump at the wrong time and glide to cast off at the wrong point. This together with high winds, an element of poor navigation, and a certain amount of bad luck, caused a great deal of confusion, so that units went astray and failed to land at their designated site, some failed to arrive at all.

This is reflected in the game and whilst most units land where ordered, they cannot be relied upon to arrive exactly where expected. Their actual arrival points will only be disclosed as they arrive on the map following the British ORDERS phase.

The first 12 German units are already on the map at the start of the game, but are dormant and only reveal themselves after the British arrival. On turn 1 the first 3 appear and, on turn 2 the remaining 3 units become active. The latter are all in the town of Troarn, the cluster of buildings at the crossroads in the lower right corner. These 12 units always set up in the same position and the German player is not given the option of changing these.

All subsequent arrivals may not have their historic arrival points changed, but in odd cases units may arrive at an alternative start point to reflect routes on the map being made impassable by strafing, bombing and/or heavy gunfire. Like the British, the actual arrival point will only be revealed when the unit appears on the map after the German ORDERS phase.

The historical arrival points for the British are accurate according to the intentions for the day, but the German units are, in several cases, only approximate, since the available records relating to D-Day from the German viewpoint are often vague or conflicting in detail, as is precise information regarding the units involved.

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Landing Zone or X	Y	Drop Zone or X	Drop Zone or X
Landing Zone A	1	Drop Zone A	1
Landing Zone B	2	Drop Zone B	2
Landing Zone C	3	Drop Zone C	3
Landing Zone D	4	Drop Zone D	4
Landing Zone E	5	Drop Zone E	5
Landing Zone F	6	Drop Zone F	6
Landing Zone G	7	Drop Zone G	7
Landing Zone H	8	Drop Zone H	8
Landing Zone I	9	Drop Zone I	9
Landing Zone J	10	Drop Zone J	10
Landing Zone K	11	Drop Zone K	11
Landing Zone L	12	Drop Zone L	12
Landing Zone M	13	Drop Zone M	13
Landing Zone N	14	Drop Zone N	14
Landing Zone O	15	Drop Zone O	15
Landing Zone P	16	Drop Zone P	16
Landing Zone Q	17	Drop Zone Q	17
Landing Zone R	18	Drop Zone R	18
Landing Zone S	19	Drop Zone S	19
Landing Zone T	20	Drop Zone T	20
Landing Zone U	21	Drop Zone U	21
Landing Zone V	22	Drop Zone V	22
Landing Zone W	23	Drop Zone W	23
Landing Zone X	24	Drop Zone X	24
Landing Zone Y	25	Drop Zone Y	25
Landing Zone Z	26	Drop Zone Z	26
Landing Zone AA	27	Drop Zone AA	27
Landing Zone AB	28	Drop Zone AB	28
Landing Zone AC	29	Drop Zone AC	29
Landing Zone AD	30	Drop Zone AD	30
Landing Zone AE	31	Drop Zone AE	31
Landing Zone AF	32	Drop Zone AF	32
Landing Zone AG	33	Drop Zone AG	33
Landing Zone AH	34	Drop Zone AH	34
Landing Zone AI	35	Drop Zone AI	35
Landing Zone AJ	36	Drop Zone AJ	36
Landing Zone AK	37	Drop Zone AK	37
Landing Zone AL	38	Drop Zone AL	38
Landing Zone AM	39	Drop Zone AM	39
Landing Zone AN	40	Drop Zone AN	40
Landing Zone AO	41	Drop Zone AO	41
Landing Zone AP	42	Drop Zone AP	42
Landing Zone AQ	43	Drop Zone AQ	43
Landing Zone AR	44	Drop Zone AR	44
Landing Zone AS	45	Drop Zone AS	45
Landing Zone AT	46	Drop Zone AT	46
Landing Zone AU	47	Drop Zone AU	47
Landing Zone AV	48	Drop Zone AV	48
Landing Zone AW	49	Drop Zone AW	49
Landing Zone AX	50	Drop Zone AX	50
Landing Zone AY	51	Drop Zone AY	51
Landing Zone AZ	52	Drop Zone AZ	52
Landing Zone BA	53	Drop Zone BA	53
Landing Zone BB	54	Drop Zone BB	54
Landing Zone BC	55	Drop Zone BC	55
Landing Zone BD	56	Drop Zone BD	56
Landing Zone BE	57	Drop Zone BE	57
Landing Zone BF	58	Drop Zone BF	58
Landing Zone BG	59	Drop Zone BG	59
Landing Zone BH	60	Drop Zone BH	60
Landing Zone BI	61	Drop Zone BI	61
Landing Zone BJ	62	Drop Zone BJ	62
Landing Zone BK	63	Drop Zone BK	63
Landing Zone BL	64	Drop Zone BL	64
Landing Zone BM	65	Drop Zone BM	65
Landing Zone BN	66	Drop Zone BN	66
Landing Zone BO	67	Drop Zone BO	67
Landing Zone BP	68	Drop Zone BP	68
Landing Zone BQ	69	Drop Zone BQ	69
Landing Zone BR	70	Drop Zone BR	70
Landing Zone BS	71	Drop Zone BS	71
Landing Zone BT	72	Drop Zone BT	72
Landing Zone BU	73	Drop Zone BU	73
Landing Zone BV	74	Drop Zone BV	74
Landing Zone BW	75	Drop Zone BW	75
Landing Zone BX	76	Drop Zone BX	76
Landing Zone BY	77	Drop Zone BY	77
Landing Zone BZ	78	Drop Zone BZ	78
Landing Zone CA	79	Drop Zone CA	79
Landing Zone CB	80	Drop Zone CB	80
Landing Zone CC	81	Drop Zone CC	81
Landing Zone CD	82	Drop Zone CD	82
Landing Zone CE	83	Drop Zone CE	83
Landing Zone CF	84	Drop Zone CF	84
Landing Zone CG	85	Drop Zone CG	85
Landing Zone CH	86	Drop Zone CH	86
Landing Zone CI	87	Drop Zone CI	87
Landing Zone CJ	88	Drop Zone CJ	88
Landing Zone CK	89	Drop Zone CK	89
Landing Zone CL	90	Drop Zone CL	90
Landing Zone CM	91	Drop Zone CM	91
Landing Zone CN	92	Drop Zone CN	92
Landing Zone CO	93	Drop Zone CO	93
Landing Zone CP	94	Drop Zone CP	94
Landing Zone CQ	95	Drop Zone CQ	95
Landing Zone CR	96	Drop Zone CR	96
Landing Zone CS	97	Drop Zone CS	97
Landing Zone CT	98	Drop Zone CT	98
Landing Zone CU	99	Drop Zone CU	99
Landing Zone CV	100	Drop Zone CV	100
Landing Zone CW	101	Drop Zone CW	101
Landing Zone CX	102	Drop Zone CX	102
Landing Zone CY	103	Drop Zone CY	103
Landing Zone CZ	104	Drop Zone CZ	104
Landing Zone DA	105	Drop Zone DA	105
Landing Zone DB	106	Drop Zone DB	106
Landing Zone DC	107	Drop Zone DC	107
Landing Zone DD	108	Drop Zone DD	108
Landing Zone DE	109	Drop Zone DE	109
Landing Zone DF	110	Drop Zone DF	110
Landing Zone DG	111	Drop Zone DG	111
Landing Zone DH	112	Drop Zone DH	112
Landing Zone DI	113	Drop Zone DI	113
Landing Zone DJ	114	Drop Zone DJ	114
Landing Zone DK	115	Drop Zone DK	115
Landing Zone DL	116	Drop Zone DL	116
Landing Zone DM	117	Drop Zone DM	117
Landing Zone DN	118	Drop Zone DN	118
Landing Zone DO	119	Drop Zone DO	119
Landing Zone DP	120	Drop Zone DP	120
Landing Zone DQ	121	Drop Zone DQ	121
Landing Zone DR	122	Drop Zone DR	122
Landing Zone DS	123	Drop Zone DS	123
Landing Zone DT	124	Drop Zone DT	124
Landing Zone DU	125	Drop Zone DU	125
Landing Zone DV	126	Drop Zone DV	126
Landing Zone DW	127	Drop Zone DW	127
Landing Zone DX	128	Drop Zone DX	128
Landing Zone DY	129	Drop Zone DY	129
Landing Zone DZ	130	Drop Zone DZ	130
Landing Zone EA	131	Drop Zone EA	131
Landing Zone EB	132	Drop Zone EB	132
Landing Zone EC	133	Drop Zone EC	133
Landing Zone ED	134	Drop Zone ED	134
Landing Zone EE	135	Drop Zone EE	135
Landing Zone EF	136	Drop Zone EF	136
Landing Zone EG	137	Drop Zone EG	137
Landing Zone EH	138	Drop Zone EH	138
Landing Zone EI	139	Drop Zone EI	139
Landing Zone EJ	140	Drop Zone EJ	140
Landing Zone EK	141	Drop Zone EK	141
Landing Zone EL	142	Drop Zone EL	142
Landing Zone EM	143	Drop Zone EM	143
Landing Zone EN	144	Drop Zone EN	144
Landing Zone EO	145	Drop Zone EO	145
Landing Zone EP	146	Drop Zone EP	146
Landing Zone EQ	147	Drop Zone EQ	147
Landing Zone ER	148	Drop Zone ER	148
Landing Zone ES	149	Drop Zone ES	149
Landing Zone ET	150	Drop Zone ET	150
Landing Zone EU	151	Drop Zone EU	151
Landing Zone EV	152	Drop Zone EV	152
Landing Zone EW	153	Drop Zone EW	153
Landing Zone EX	154	Drop Zone EX	154
Landing Zone EY	155	Drop Zone EY	155
Landing Zone EZ	156	Drop Zone EZ	156
Landing Zone FA	157	Drop Zone FA	157
Landing Zone FB	158	Drop Zone FB	158
Landing Zone FC	159	Drop Zone FC	159
Landing Zone FD	160	Drop Zone FD	160
Landing Zone FE	161	Drop Zone FE	161
Landing Zone FF	162	Drop Zone FF	162
Landing Zone FG	163	Drop Zone FG	163
Landing Zone FH	164	Drop Zone FH	164
Landing Zone FI	165	Drop Zone FI	165
Landing Zone FJ	166	Drop Zone FJ	166
Landing Zone FK	167	Drop Zone FK	167
Landing Zone FL	168	Drop Zone FL	168
Landing Zone FM	169	Drop Zone FM	169
Landing Zone FN	170	Drop Zone FN	170
Landing Zone FO	171	Drop Zone FO	171
Landing Zone FP	172	Drop Zone FP	172
Landing Zone FQ	173	Drop Zone FQ	173
Landing Zone FR	174	Drop Zone FR	174
Landing Zone FS	175	Drop Zone FS	175
Landing Zone FT	176	Drop Zone FT	176
Landing Zone FU	177	Drop Zone FU	177
Landing Zone FV	178	Drop Zone FV	178
Landing Zone FW	179	Drop Zone FW	179
Landing Zone FX	180	Drop Zone FX	180
Landing Zone FY	181	Drop Zone FY	181
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Landing Zone GA	183	Drop Zone GA	183
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Landing Zone GE	187	Drop Zone GE	187
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Landing Zone GX	205	Drop Zone GX	205
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Landing Zone GZ	207	Drop Zone GZ	207
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Landing Zone HB	209	Drop Zone HB	209
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Landing Zone HD	211	Drop Zone HD	211
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Landing Zone HF	213	Drop Zone HF	213
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Landing Zone HH	215	Drop Zone HH	215
Landing Zone HI	216	Drop Zone HI	216
Landing Zone HJ	217	Drop Zone HJ	217
Landing Zone HK	218	Drop Zone HK	218
Landing Zone HL	219	Drop Zone HL	219
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Landing Zone HN	221	Drop Zone HN	221
Landing Zone HO	222	Drop Zone HO	222
Landing Zone HP	223	Drop Zone HP	223
Landing Zone HQ	224	Drop Zone HQ	224
Landing Zone HR	225	Drop Zone HR	225
Landing Zone HS	226	Drop Zone HS	226
Landing Zone HT	227	Drop Zone HT	227
Landing Zone HU	228	Drop Zone HU	228
Landing Zone HV	229	Drop Zone HV	229
Landing Zone HW	230	Drop Zone HW	230
Landing Zone HX	231	Drop Zone HX	231
Landing Zone HY	232	Drop Zone HY	232
Landing Zone HZ	233	Drop Zone HZ	233
Landing Zone IA	234	Drop Zone IA	234
Landing Zone IB	235	Drop Zone IB	235
Landing Zone IC	236	Drop Zone IC	236
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Landing Zone IG	240	Drop Zone IG	240
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Landing Zone II	242	Drop Zone II	242
Landing Zone IJ	243	Drop Zone IJ	243
Landing Zone IK	244	Drop Zone IK	244
Landing Zone IL	245	Drop Zone IL	245
Landing Zone IM	246	Drop Zone IM	246
Landing Zone IN	247	Drop Zone IN	247
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Landing Zone IP	249	Drop Zone IP	249
Landing Zone IQ	250	Drop Zone IQ	250
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Landing Zone IU	254	Drop Zone IU	254
Landing Zone IV	255	Drop Zone IV	255
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Landing Zone IX	257	Drop Zone IX	257
Landing Zone IY	258	Drop Zone IY	258
Landing Zone IZ	259	Drop Zone IZ	259
Landing Zone JA	260	Drop Zone JA	260
Landing Zone JB	261	Drop Zone JB	261
Landing Zone JC	262	Drop Zone JC	262
Landing Zone JD	263	Drop Zone JD	263
Landing Zone JE	264	Drop Zone JE	264
Landing Zone JF	265	Drop Zone JF	265
Landing Zone JG	266	Drop Zone JG	266
Landing Zone JH	267	Drop Zone JH	267
Landing Zone JI	268	Drop Zone JI	268
Landing Zone JJ	269	Drop Zone JJ	269
Landing Zone JK	270	Drop Zone JK	270
Landing Zone JL	271	Drop Zone JL	271
Landing Zone JM	272	Drop Zone JM	272
Landing Zone JN	273	Drop Zone JN	273
Landing Zone JO	274	Drop Zone JO	274
Landing Zone JP	275	Drop Zone JP	275
Landing Zone JQ	276	Drop Zone JQ	276
Landing Zone JR	277	Drop Zone JR	277
Landing Zone JS	278	Drop Zone JS	278
Landing Zone JT	279	Drop Zone JT	279
Landing Zone JU	280	Drop Zone JU	280
Landing Zone JV	281	Drop Zone JV	281
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Landing Zone JX	283	Drop Zone JX	283
Landing Zone JY	284	Drop Zone JY	284
Landing Zone JZ	285	Drop Zone JZ	285
Landing Zone KA	286	Drop Zone KA	286
Landing Zone KB			

