

Unit 7: The 1940's: America in World War II (Week 1)

Dictators in the 1930's	War in Europe	The Holocaust	America moves to War	Leaders
Chapter 24:1 (734-741)	Chapter 24:2 (742-747)	Chapter 24:3 (748-755)	Chapter 24:4 (756-763)	Chapter 24:1-4 (734-763)
Russia: Stalin's Purge	NAZI Plans: Third Reich	Jewish Pogroms	US Response to War	Franklin D. Roosevelt
Italy: Mussolini – Il Duce	Remilitarization	Nuremberg Laws	Lend/Lease Agreements	Adolf Hitler
Germany: NAZI Fervor	Breathing Space in Europe	Night of Broken Glass	Pearl Harbor Attack	Winston Churchill
Japan: Imperial Conquest	Munich Agreement	Hitler's Final Solution	Building an Army	Joseph Stalin
US Isolation & Neutrality	Invasion of Poland	The Gas Chambers	Mobilizing a Nation	The American Soldiers
Essential Question	Essential Question	Essential Question	Essential Question	Essential Question
Why did nations, including the US, do nothing to stop the growth of fascism?	What were the short and long term objectives for NAZI Germany?	How should the world prevent genocide from occurring in the present?	Which was a greater threat to the US, Imperial Japan or NAZI Germany?	How did leadership qualities influence ethical or military decisions in WW2?

Identification Terms				
Franklin D. Roosevelt	Joseph Stalin	Adolf Hitler	Elie Wiesel	Concentration Camps
Wolf Packs	Blitzkrieg	Winston Churchill	London Bombing	Munich Treaty
Nazism	Francisco Franco	Totalitarianism	Benito Mussolini	Fascism
Neutrality Acts	Manchuria	Treaty of Versailles	Isolationism	Neville Chamberlain
Appeasement	Charles De Gaulle	Non Aggression Pact	Luftwaffe	Holocaust
Kristallnacht	Warsaw Uprising	Zyklon B	Auschwitz	Axis Powers
Lend Lease Act	Atlantic Charter	Pearl Harbor Attack	Hideki Tojo	Allied Powers

Website Reviews	
1.	http://www.pbs.org/auschwitz/ This website examines the NAZI death camps, specifically focusing on Auschwitz and its horrible impact.
2.	http://www.pbs.org/thewar/ This website examines US participation in the war from the point of view of four American towns.
3.	http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/worldwars/wwtwo/ This website is one of the most comprehensive sites covering all of World War II.
4.	http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/dday/ This website examines the most ambitious amphibious invasion in the history of the world – D Day.
5.	http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/flygirls/index.html This website explores the role of women who designed, built and test flew all US planes.
6.	http://www.pbs.org/childofcamp/index.html This website tells the story of the Japanese who were jailed in internment camps in the US.
7.	http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/decoding/ This website examines the German ENIGMA encoding device that the Allies broke.
8.	http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/naziprison/ This website examines the escape from a NAZI prison from a scientist perspective.
9.	http://www.pbs.org/theydrewfire/index.html This site is a meaningful look at war artists during the struggle against Germany and Japan.
10.	http://www.calvin.edu/academic/cas/gpa/ww2era.htm This website covers NAZI propaganda and its impact on the people of Germany.

RAFTS Assignments	
1.	You are an infantryman in Patton's 3 rd Army. In a letter home, explain to your mother why you believe it is important to fight NAZIs.
2.	You are an American observer at the Battle of Stalingrad. Draw a picture of the magnitude of the battle in your sketchbook.
3.	You are a married housewife. Describe job in a wheel-bearings factory for aircraft where you're elected president of your union.
4.	You are a Japanese America banker. In your memoirs, describe your conversation with your son as he joins the 442 nd Infantry.
5.	You are an Army reporter in Dachau. You meet one of the death camp survivors and she grants you an interview. She is 10.
6.	You are J. Robert Oppenheimer. Reconcile your postwar anti-nuclear stance with your wartime support of atomics in a speech.
7.	You are a Navajo 'windtalker'. Using the Navajo language, transcribe orders for the Marines to attack Iwo Jima on Feb. 19, 1945.
8.	You are field nurse. Describe your morning-to-night work schedule towards the end of the war to a reporter from Stars and Stripes.
9.	You are a marine at Iwo Jima. In a letter home to your girlfriend, describe a Japanese prisoner recently captured to her. Be detailed.
10.	You are the pilot on the Enola Gay. Describe your trip to Hiroshima following the war. Afterwards, give a speech to survivors.

Short Essay Questions	
1.	Describe the ideas Hitler attempted to convey in Mein Kampf and their effect on the German people.
2.	Fully explain Hitler's rise to power in Germany and defend or oppose the world's reaction to it.
3.	Why was World War Two fought? Explain in detail the motives of the aggressors and the defenders of the world?
4.	Define in detail fascism, communism and democracy in the context of World War Two.
5.	Describe the characteristics of two leaders in World War Two. Compare and contrast their leadership styles.
6.	How did World War Two help create the Cold War era? Be specific in your answer.
7.	What impact did the war have on women during and after the fighting? Be specific for each.
8.	Describe two battles involving US troops and their political effects on the nations involved in World War Two.
9.	Define Hitler's racial policies and the American diplomatic and military response to it. Could the US have minimized the Jewish Holocaust?
10.	Was the Nuremberg Trial valid and/or justified? Debate both sides and justify your position with evidence.

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