

Unit 3 - World War II Study Guide

The Unit 3 Test will be shorter than our two previous unit tests. You will have 25-30 multiple choice questions and one essay – a Visual Constructed Response. Before the test on Tuesday, answer the following questions to prepare.

1. Describe the condition of Europe after WWI? How did that leave room for the rise of dictators?
2. What is a totalitarian dictator?
3. Describe fascism (know its key components)
4. Identify the countries of the following men: Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini
5. Describe how aggression can be described as a cause of WWII. What territory did Italy invade? What about Japan? What about Germany?
6. Why was the United States interested in Japan's involvement in Southeast Asia?
7. Describe the policy of appeasement. How did this lead to WWII? (Be sure you know what occurred in Austria, the Sudetenland, and Poland)
8. Who made up the Axis Powers? Allied Powers?
9. Describe American foreign policy prior to entry in WWII. What is an isolationist?
10. What was the Neutrality Act of 1935?
11. Describe how America aided Europe prior to WWII by defining the following: Cash-and-Carry and Lend-Lease
12. What event sparked American declaration of war and entry into WWII?
13. How did government spending change during WWII?
14. How did American women aid in the war effort?
15. Who was Rosie the Riveter? How does this symbol represent the importance of women to the war effort?
16. How were African Americans treated during the war?
17. What is the significance of the Bracero Program? What were the zoot suit riots?
18. What were victory gardens? How did they help win a war?
19. How did the rationing process aid the war effort? Provide examples of items to be rationed.
20. What is a war bond? How did the government convince Americans to buy these?
21. Describe the internment of Japanese Americans. Why were they targeted?
22. Identify the significance of the following battles: Battle of Stalingrad, Battle of the Bulge, Operation Overlord (D Day), Battle of Midway, Battle of Iwo Jima, Battle of Okinawa
23. What and when was V-E day? How was it achieved?
24. What and when was V-J day? How was it achieved?
25. Why did Truman decide to drop the bomb on Japan?
26. What major decisions were made at Yalta? What major decisions were made at Potsdam?
27. What was Hitler's Final Solution? What impact did that have on Jews in Europe?
28. Explain how Americans reacted to the Holocaust. How were Nazis treated after WWII?
29. What was the Manhattan Project?
30. What is an atrocity? Identify two atrocities of WWII.