

# **World War II Primary Source Analysis**

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# Pearl Harbor

- When did the attack on pearl harbor occur? What was the battle tactic used by the Japanese to sink many ships?
- Do a little research, how many ships did the US lose, what were the number of casualties?
- “December 7, 1941, a date that will forever live in infamy.” What action did the US take after the attack? How long did it take? How did Germany and Italy react?



# Women in the Workforce

- Who is this poster aimed at? Why would the US be targeting women to enter the workforce?
- Who is this woman in the poster known as? What makes her important?



# D-Day

- What day did D-Day occur on? What was it also known as? What country did it happen in? What countries participated in the invasion force?
- Based on the journal entry, how was the invasion to the soldiers? What was the goal of D-Day?

“In the far away distance, I could hear the rumble of the artillery and the brrrp-brrrp of machine gun fire.... We didn't have a chance to fight back, as we were dropped in the water over our heads. No one's fault, as the entire beach was strewn with mines. With a stream of lead coming towards us, we were at the mercy of the Germans and we had all to do to reach shore and recuperate. I floated around in water for about one hour and was more dead than alive.... Pulled myself together and sought a rifle and around I went, trying to locate my outfit. It didn't take long to spot them, and was I glad. But gracious Lord, what was left of them, just a handful, about 25 out of 160. The battalion was almost wiped out, 800 casualties out of 1,000 men.”

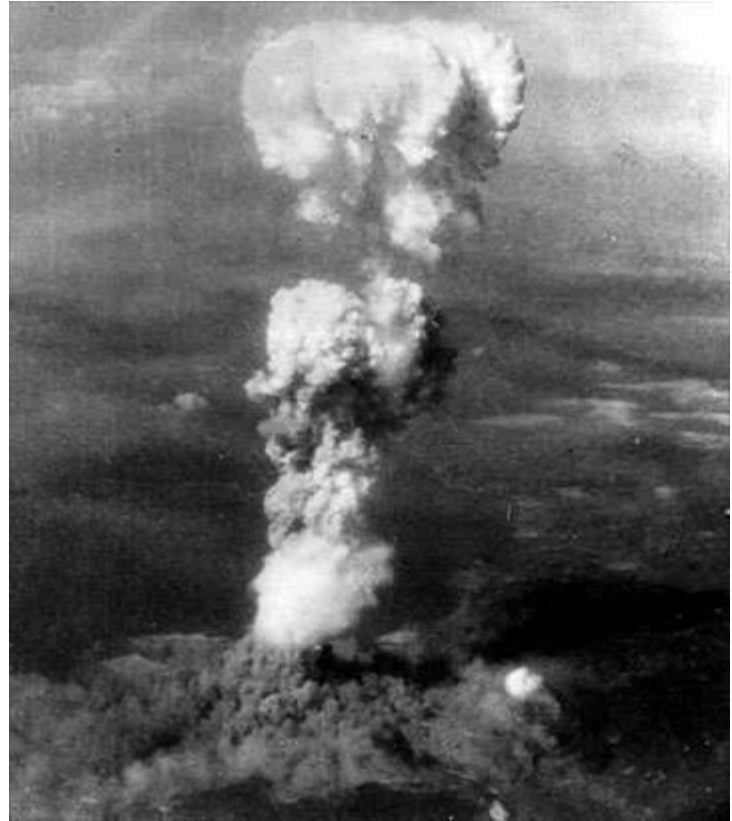
# Holocaust

- Research how many people died as a result of the holocaust? What groups were targeted?
- Looking at the people in the photo, what can you tell about their living conditions? Their health? Their weight? Why many of them didn't have much hair?



# Atomic Bomb

- Which cities were targeted by the atomic bomb? Why were the bombs used?
- In your own opinion, do you think the US should have used the atomic bombs? Explain your reasoning?
- Who was Robert J. Oppenheimer? Knowing who he was, what do you think his quote means?



"I am become death, destroyer of worlds."

- Robert J. Oppenheimer