**11. From Isolationism to Hiroshima: World War ll**

(lecture worksheet)

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| **Important dates:** | **December 7, 1941 (Pearl Harbor attacked), June 6, 1944 (D-Day -- Normandy landings), May 8 (WWII ended in Europe), 1945, August 6 and 8, 1945 (Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombed)** |
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| **Names & Places:** | **F. D. Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower, H. Truman**  **Neutrality Acts, the Munich Pact, the Lend-Lease Program, an "arsenal of democracy", the Rome-Berlin Axis (later to become Rome-Berlin-Tokyo), the Atlantic Charter, the Unites Nations**  **Germany, Italy, Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland, France, Poland, Great Britain, the Soviet Union, China, Manchuria, the French Indo-China Pearl Harbor; North Africa, the Suez Canal, Sicily, Normandy, Yalta** |
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| **Vocabulary:** | **to recognise the threat of totalitarian regimes, conservative isolationists, to prohibit trade with warring nations, to purchase non-military supplies on cash-and-carry principle, to incorporate Austria into the German Reich, to declare neutrality, to press for the repeal of an arms embargo, the interventionist versus isolationist argument, to pass the first peace-time conscription, to supply arms to countries which defence is vital to the defense of the USA, to deteriorate (e.g. relations), to be in violation with the 'Open Door Policy', to impose an embargo on export of scrap iron, , to freeze Japanese assets in the USA, to stop shipments of oil, to carry out an air attack on the U.S. fleet at Pearl Harbor, to open a Western front, to divert German forces from the Eastern front, to lay the foundations for future peace, to die of cerebral hemorrhage, to invade Japanese home islands, to drop an atomic bomb, to avoid heavy casualties** |

**Exam Questions:**

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| 1. | Explain what led American Congress to declare war on Japan in 1941 and how Japanese-Americans were treated in the United States during WWII. (Include Japanese occupation of Indochina, Pearl Harbor, internment of Japanese-Americans in the U.S.) ADDITIONAL SOURCE *An Illustrated History of the USA* 25. The Arsenal of Democracy |
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| 2. | Describe in detail the military struggles of the United States in WWII and outline briefly the contribution of the Americans to the war effort on the home front. (Include references to the strategy of winged victory, the plight of the airmen, D-Day, gearing up to war time production at home, the convoy system.) |
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| 3. | Discuss in detail the arguments in favour and against the use of the atomic bombs against Japan as they were seen by the U.S. foreign policy makers in August 1945. SEMINAR |