

## Study Guide for Exam 11: World War II and Post-War Era (1933-1952)

### **Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Shadow of War (1933-1941)**

Kennedy, Chapter 34; AMSCO, Chapter 25  
Review the guided reading handout!

Some general topics to review from that worksheet:

- London Economic Conference
- Soviet Union Recognition
- Good Neighbor Policy, actions/affairs – Latin America, Reciprocal Trade Agreements 1934
- American isolationism (America First Committee)
- American reaction to events in Europe
- Neutrality Acts of 1935, 1936, 1937
- Spanish Civil War and FDR's response
- Panay Incident, Problems with Japan, Quarantine Speech
- Munich Conference
- Hitler-Stalin Non-aggression Pact
- Invasion of Poland and beginning of WW II
- Fall of France
- Conscription Act (and why passed)
- Destroyers-for-bases deal
- American reactions – Battle of Britain
- Election of 1940
- Lend Lease
- Conflicts with Japan and Pearl Harbor

### **America in World War II (1941-1945)**

Kennedy, Chapter 35; AMSCO, Chapter 25  
Review the PowerPoint notes and your readings!

- Hitler-first strategy
- Japanese internment and *Korematsu v. United States*
- Industrialization for war, effects, labor unions, Smith-Connally Act, *Smith v. Allright (1944)*
- Know: War Production Board, O.P.A., War Labor Board, Fair Employment Practices Commission
- Women in the war: industries and military service
- African-Americans in the war: industries, Great Migration (and problems), and military service
- Significant battles and turning points in the Pacific War: Coral Sea, Midway, Guam/Marianas Islands, Leyte Gulf, Iwo Jima/Okinawa, etc.
- U.S. Naval strategy to win the Pacific war
- North African Front
- Battle of Stalingrad
- Major Conferences (know order, major decisions reached): Atlantic, Casablanca, Teheran, Yalta, Potsdam
- Conquest of Sicily and Italian campaign (Italian job?)
- D-day invasion, Operation Overlord (invasion of France and consequences for the war)
- Election of 1944
- Major battles at the end of the war: Battle of the Bulge, Battle of Leyte Gulf
- Potsdam ultimatum, decision to drop atomic bombs

\*\*Be able to make comparisons between World War I and World War II

### **The Cold War Begins (1945-1952)**

Kennedy, Chapter 36; AMSCO, Chapter 26  
Review the PowerPoint notes and your readings!

- Taft-Hartley Act of 1947 (and the reactions of the 80<sup>th</sup> Congress to the New Deal era)
- GI Bill
- Understand the basics of the post-war economy and the “baby boom”
- Rise of the sunbelt and the growth of suburbs
- What caused the Cold War? What were the major themes of the Cold War (early period)?
- Berlin Blockade and Air Lift
- George Kennan and Containment

- National Security Act of 1947
- Truman Doctrine (original intent, U.S. policy and implications)
- Marshall Plan
- Recognition of Israel
- Formation of NATO (and its significance to U.S. policy and to the Cold War)
- The Second Red Scare: Truman's actions; HUAC; Joseph McCarthy
- Understand the Election of 1948 and the "Dixiecrat" Revolt
- NSC-68
- Korean War: How the war began; How the U.S. became involved; Chinese problem; Firing of Douglas MacArthur