

## AMERICAN HISTORY Chapter 14 discussion questions

- Between 1941-1945, what did the U.S. and its allies achieve that had never been done before?
  - How did Roosevelt mobilize the economy in 1940 in preparation for possible war?
  - How did cost-plus contracts help the U.S. arm itself quickly?
  - What war materiel was made by the auto industry?
  - What bomber did Henry Ford produce?
  - What was the purpose of Liberty Ships?
  - How did Kaiser build them?
  - What else about Kaiser?
  - Identify the first peacetime draft in American history
  - Why were American soldiers called GIs?
  - What does this mean "The Army Jim Crows us . . ."
  - Why could Saunders Redding support fighting for the U.S.?
  - Explain the "Double V" campaign
  - Who were the Tuskegee Airmen?
  - What is the 332nd fighter squadron known for?
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- How did the U.S. aircraft carriers escape being destroyed at Pearl Harbor?
  - What airfields did the Japanese attack just hours after the attack on Pearl Harbor?
  - (The United States seized the Philippines in 1898 in the Spanish American War)
  - Who led U.S. troops in retreat to the Bataan Peninsula?
  - Describe the Bataan Death March (where, who, why, how)
  - Where did the last U.S. forces surrender to the Japanese in the Philippines?
  - Doolittle Raid: what was its main purpose? Describe how the raid was carried out.
  - In what way did Doolittle's raid change Japanese strategy?
  - What advantage did the U.S. have in the Battles of the Coral Sea and Midway?
  - In what way was the Coral Sea a victory for the U.S.?
  - (carriers Lexington and Yorktown - explain the significance of their names)
  - Why was Midway a turning point in the war?
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- Roosevelt wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ but Churchill urged \_\_\_\_\_
  - Where did the Allies invade first?
  - Why - two reasons
  - Who was the German leader in North Africa?
  - El Alamein
  - What two U.S. generals planned to trap the Germans?
  - What happened at the Battle of Kasserine Pass?
  - Who did Eisenhower then put in command?
  - When did the fighting in North Africa end?