

Japan in WW2

I.) Imperialism Response (review)

II.) Japan in the 1920s

- A.) Govt.
- B.) League of Nations
- C.) Emigration
- D.) Washington Conference
- E.) Peace Agreements

III.) Japan's Response to the Depression:

- A.) Global Trade Market Destruction:
 - 1.) Government by Assassination
 - 2.) Business Support
 - 3.) Army control of Education
- 4.) Co-Prosperity Sphere:
 - a.) Manchuria
 - 1.) General Tanaka

According to Tanaka how is Japan different from England & the USA?

*What changed between 1927 (when Tanaka wrote this) and 1931
What arguments can be made against Tanaka's justification for expansion?*



How does this cartoon represent what is happening in Asia?

How does this show American Racism? How is this soldier depicted?

LETTER OF GENERAL TANAKA, 1927

England can afford to talk about trade relations only because she has India and Australia to supply her with foodstuff and other materials. So can America because South America and Canada are there to supply her needs. . . . But in Japan her food supply and raw materials decrease in proportion to her population. If we merely hope to develop trade, we shall eventually be defeated by England and America, who possess unsurpassable capitalistic power. In the end, we shall get nothing. A more dangerous factor is the fact that the people of China might some day wake up. Even during these years of internal strife, they can still toil patiently, and try to imitate and displace our goods so as to impair the development of our trade. When we remember that the Chinese are our sole customers, we must beware, lest one day China becomes unified and her industries become prosperous . . . our trade in China will be ruined. . . . Our best policy lies in the direction of taking positive steps to secure rights and privileges in Manchuria and Mongolia. . . .

The way to gain actual rights in Manchuria and Mongolia is to use this region as a base and under the pretence of trade and commerce penetrate the rest of China. Armed by the rights already secured we shall seize the resources all over the country. Having China's entire resources at our disposal we shall proceed to conquer India, . . . Asia Minor, Central Asia, and even Europe. But to get control of Manchuria and Mongolia is the first step.

From "Japan and the Next World War, Secret Memorial . . . Submitted by General Tanaka . . ." The China Critic, IV (September 24, 1931).

IV.) Seeds of World War II:

A.) Manchuria

B.) Chinese Civil War

C.) Invasion of China: Marco Polo Bridge

D.) Early Victories in China

E.) China's Defense Plan:



Explain this cartoon's meaning



F.) *Panay Incident*

Explain this propaganda poster:

G.) Rape of Nanking

1. **True/ False** The Japanese soldiers were contemptuous of the Chinese soldiers who surrendered and they thought the Chinese soldiers deserved to die for being willing to surrender.
2. List some ways that the Japanese soldiers tortured people of Nanking.
3. How long did the “Rape of Nanking” last?
4. What did the Japanese officers do to control their soldiers?
5. What have some Japanese politicians said about the “Rape of Nanking?”
6. Were the soldiers punished for raping the women of Nanking?
7. Approximately _____ women were raped in Nanking.
8. What was the International Safety Zone?
9. How many people were killed by the Japanese during the “Rape of Nanking?”
10. **True/ False** The massacre in Nanking was so shocking that Nazis in the city were appalled.
11. What did Hitler do when he found out about the atrocities being committed?
12. How did the Japanese pay for the prostitution and labor in Nanking?
13. How are the war criminals seen/treated in Japan today?
14. What, in your mind, can be done to prevent another “Rape of Nanking from occurring again?”

H.) American Response to Continued Japanese Aggressions

I.) Japanese Decision

J.) Pearl Harbor

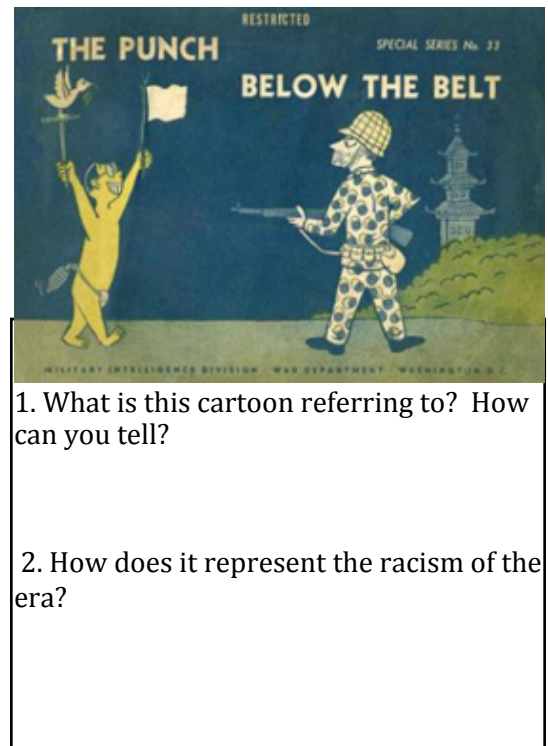
1.) Results for America

2.) Capture what you can

a.) Philippines

b.) Singapore → Australia

c.) Doolittle Raid



K.) Turning Point: Midway

L.) Allied Counteroffensive

1.) Radar/Code

2.) Guadalacanal

3.) Island Skipping

4.) India

Film: *Victory in the Pacific*

1.) What was the significance of events at Los Alamos?

2.) Who was in charge at Los Alamos? _____

3.) What were some of the difficulties at Tarawa for the US soldiers?

- 4.) Why were so few Japanese captured on both Tarawa and Saipan?
- 5.) What was the significance of the "great Marianus turkey shoot?"
- 6.) How many cases of WW2 espionage or sabotage were recorded by Japanese-Americans during WW2?

- 7.) What was "island skipping" all about and why did taking Peleliu violate this concept?
- 8.) What was the key new airplane developed in 1944 called? _____ or _____ Why was it so important?
- 9.) What were some characteristics of Japanese treatment of American prisoners?
a.)...of civilians?
- 10.) Why was the fighting for Manila so costly?
- 11.) Why was the US so determined to gain Iwo Jima?
- 12.) Why was the island so difficult to take for the United States?
- 13.) Explain what civilian life in Japan was like in 1944 and 1945.
- 14.) What was the toll of firebombing on Tokyo?
a.) Do you think that this is more or less moral than using atomic weapons?
b.) Why?
- 15.) Why was Okinawa so necessary for the United States ?
- 16.) Explain the Japanese defense of the island.
a.) What was the cost of this defense to Americans?
b.) How could this shape American opinion about invading the Japanese homeland?
- 17.) Name of the test A-Bomb _____
- 18.) Why was Nagasaki chosen as a site for the 2nd atomic bomb?
a.) Your thoughts on the use of the A-Bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki?

