Multiple Choice Test for WWII

1. During World War II, women and minorities made economic gains mainly because:
2. a shortage of traditional labor created new opportunities in the workplace
3. more educational opportunities increased the number of skilled workers in these groups
4. labor unions successfully demanded equal opportunities for these groups
5. new civil rights legislation forced businesses to change their hiring practices

**Answer is: A**

1. The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 is an illustration of the:
2. impact a single event can have on public opinion a time of crisis
3. effectiveness of a policy of appeasement in stopping aggression
4. success of the pacifist movement in the United States
5. role of communism as a negative influence in global affairs

**Answer is: A**

1. A major cause of the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II was:
2. national segregation policies
3. immigration quotas
4. racial prejudice
5. economic depression

**Answer is: C**

1. A violation of civil rights that occurred in the United States during World War II was the:
2. arrests made as a result of the Palmer raids
3. passage of an open immigration law
4. internment of Japanese Americans
5. forced removal of Native American Indians from their reservations

**Answer is: C**

1. Which statement about Japanese Americans interned during World War II is most accurate?
2. Many were forced to return to Japan at the conclusion of the war.
3. No Japanese Americans were allowed to serve in the United States armed services during the war.
4. Most were released after signing a loyalty oath
5. Many lost their homes and businesses

**Answer is: D**

1. What was a key challenge faced by the United States during World War II?
2. lack of public support for the war effort
3. fighting the war on several fronts
4. difficulty gaining congressional support
5. total reliance on naval power

**Answer is: B**

1. In the 1944 case Korematsu v. United States, the Supreme Court ruled that wartime conditions justified the:
2. use of women in military combat
3. ban against strikes by workers
4. limitations placed on civil liberties
5. reduction in the powers of the president

**Answer is: C**

1. President Harry Truman’s decision to use atomic bombs against Japan was primarily based on his belief that:
2. an invasion of Japan would result in excessive casualties
3. Germany would refuse to surrender in Europe
4. an alliance was developing between Japan and the Soviet Union
5. Japan was in the process of developing its own atomic weapons

**Answer is: A**

1. One of the two locations on which the United States dropped atomic bombs was:

a. Khe Sahn

b. Yokohama

c. Tokyo

d. Okinawa

e. Nagasaki

**Answer is: E**

1. After World War II, the United States was better able than its allies to adjust its economy from wartime to peacetime because the United States
2. possessed nuclear weapons
3. raised tariffs on imports
4. had collected its war debts from the Allies
5. had suffered no widespread wartime destruction

**Answer is: D**