**US History Honors**

**Unit 4 – The Great Depression & WWII**

**Chapter 34 Study Questions**

**FDR AND THE SHADOW OF WAR (P. 800-820)**

*Instructions: Answer the following questions thoroughly. An “\*” next to a term or question denotes a more detailed answer is required.*

***Important vocabulary to lookup*:**

**reciprocal, isolationism, preparedness, appeasement, lebensraum,**

The London Conference, Freedom for the Philippines and Russian Recognition(p.800-801)

1. Why did FDR refuse to support the London Economic Conference?
2. What was the impact of FDR's retreatment of the London Economic Conference?
3. What was the impact of the Tydings-McDuffie Act for both the Philippines and the US?
4. Why did FDR extend formal recognition to the Soviet Union and who opposed this action?

Good Neighbors & Reciprocal Trade Agreements (p.801-803)

1. Why did FDR embark on the Good Neighbor Policy?
2. What was the positive impact for the US and who was negatively impacted?
3. Why did FDR and Sec. of State Hull favor Reciprocal Trade Agreements?
4. How does a reciprocal trade agreement work?
5. In what ways was the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act successful?
6. \*\*\*Compare this philosophy to the international current environment today. ***(You must genuinely attempt to answer this question or I will deduct 25% from this homework assignment score!)***

Isolationism, Neutrality, and Spain (p. 803-806)

1. For what reasons was Hitler able to obtain control of the Nazi Party and the nation of Germany?
2. For what reasons did Japan withdraw from various treaties and ally itself with Germany and Italy?
3. Why did the League of Nations fail to punish Italy for its attack of Ethiopia?
4. For what reasons was the United States reluctant to react to the aggressiveness by Germany, Italy, and Japan?
5. In the mid-1930s, strong popular support existed for the creation of what foreign policy law?
6. \*Collectively, what were the Neutrality Acts? What were the consequences of theses laws?
7. What was the sequence of events regarding American arm's sales to warring nations?

Appeasement and the Actions of Hitler & the US (p. 806-810)

1. What important non-action did FDR take after Japan invaded China?
2. What was the "Quarantine Speech" issued by FDR and why were isolationists fearful of quarantine?
3. How did Japan continue to take advantage of America’s isolationist sentiment?
4. \*In what ways was Hitler beginning his march across Europe and tightening his grip in Germany?
5. What was the result of the Munich convention?
6. What was the non-aggression treaty between Germany and the Soviet Union?
7. How did World War II officially begin?
8. What were the terms of the Neutrality Act of 1939? In what ways did the law help the US?

Holocaust Refugees (p. 808-809)

1. How many Jews did the United States save from Nazism in the 1930’s? How was this accomplished?
2. \*\*Explain why was the US unable or unwilling to do more? Give specific examples of US actions.

Fall of France & Bolstering Britain (p. 810-813)

1. What was the “phony war” and what events marked the end of this period?
2. Who becomes prime minister of England?
3. \*How did FDR and Congress respond to the fall of France in 1940?
4. Complete the four (4) questions at the end of “Examining the Polls” on page 811.
5. What was the Battle of Britain?
6. How did non-isolationists and isolationists use propaganda to their advantage?
7. What was the destroyer deal?
8. What was the shift in public opinion towards the war in 1940?

Third Term for FDR, Lend-Lease, and the Atlantic Charter (p. 814-818)

1. Why did FDR run for a third term in 1940? What is the main reason he won the election?
2. \*What was the lend-lease program? What was its impact both domestically and internationally?
3. What did the United States do in response to Germany's invasion of Russia?
4. What were the 8 points of the Atlantic Charter? ***(You’ll have to look most of them up online)***

Destroyers and U-boats, Pearl Harbor, America’s Transformation (p. 818-820)

1. Explain how the US was technically at war without Congress declaring war.
2. For what reasons did Japan ultimately choose to go to war with the US?
3. Why was the attack on Pearl Harbor a surprise?
4. What was American public opinion towards war before Pearl Harbor? After?