

## Mid-20<sup>th</sup> Century Wars: World War II, Cold War & Korean War

### Guiding Questions:

- ❖ *How did these wars affect the United States internally, in terms of politics, society, and economics?*
- ❖ *How did these wars affect the U.S.'s role in the world?*
- ❖ *Was the dropping of nuclear bombs on Japan justified or necessary?*
- ❖ *What contemporary problems or issues stem from these wars and their consequences?*

### 23.3: America Enters the War

#### Japan Attacks the U.S.

- causes of tension
- Pearl Harbor and results

#### Mobilizing for War

- demographics of the US military
- Women's Army Corps
- War Production Board
- Office of War Mobilization

#### Fierce Fighting in the Pacific

- fighting in the Philippines
- change in momentum in 1942

### 24.2: The Home Front

#### New Economic Opportunities

- women's new roles/Rosie the Riveter
- changes for children
- "Double V"/A. Philip Randolph
- Fair Employment Practices Comm.
- Congress of Racial Equality

#### Workers on the Move

- bracero program
- race riots/"zoot suit riots"

#### A Challenge (huh?!) to Civil Liberties

- "enemy aliens"
- Executive Order 9066/internment
- Korematsu v. U.S.
- 442<sup>nd</sup> Regimental Combat Team

#### Supporting the War Effort

- paying for the war
- Office of Price Administration
- Office of War Information

### 24.3: Victory in Eur. and Pac (825-7 ONLY)

#### The Atomic Bomb Ends the War

- Manhattan Project/J. Robert

#### Oppenheimer

- factors in dropping the bomb
- Hiroshima/Nagasaki

### 24.5: Effects of the War

#### Allies Set Postwar Goals

- Yalta Conference
- Potsdam Conference

### 24.5: Effects of the War continued

#### A New World Order Takes Shape

- changes in countries' gov'ts
- beginning of end of imperialism
- superpowers

#### International Cooperation

- General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
- General Assembly/Security Council
- United Nations/Universal Dec of Hum Rts
- Geneva Convention
- Nuremberg Trials

#### A New American Identity

- changes in American values, self-image, economy

### 25.1: The Cold War Begins

#### Roots of the Cold War

- diffs btw US and USSR
- issues over Eastern Europe/Potsdam
- Cold War

#### Meeting the Soviet Challenge

- iron curtain
- Truman Doctrine

#### Containing Soviet Expansion

- George F. Kennan/containment
- Marshall Plan

#### The Cold War Heats Up

- Berlin Airlift
- NATO/Warsaw Pact

### 25.2: The Korean War

#### Communists Gain Control Of China

- Mao Zedong's victory/results for US

#### Americans Fight in Korea

- 38<sup>th</sup> parallel
- roots of war/US involvement
- Douglas MacArthur
- limited war/total victory

#### The Korean War Has Lasting Effects

- effect on 1952 election
- results of the war/SEATO

### 25.3: The Cold War Expands

#### The Arms Race Heightens Tensions

- H-Bomb/arms race

- mutually assured destruction

#### Eisenhower Introduces New Policies

- John Foster Dulles

- massive retaliation

- brinkmanship

- N. Khrushchev/“peaceful co-existence”

#### Cold War Goes Global

- revolts in Poland and Hungary

- Suez Crisis

- Eisenhower Doctrine

- Central Intelligence

- Agency/Iran/Guatemala

- Sputnik/N.A.S.A.

### 25.4: The Cold War At Home

#### Worrying About Communists at Home

- Red Scare

- Smith Act

- House Un-American Activities Committee

- Hollywood Ten/blacklist

#### Spy Cases Worry Americans

- Alger Hiss

- Julius and Ethel Rosenberg

#### McCarthy Uses Ruthless Tactics

- Joseph R. McCarthy

- McCarthyism

- causes of his decline

### 28.1 Kennedy and The Cold War (954-8 ONLY)

#### JFK Launches New Cold War Strategies

- “flexible response”

- Peace Corps

- Alliance for Progress

#### Confronting Communism in Cuba

- Fidel Castro

- Bay of Pigs Invasion

- Cuban missile crisis

- “hot line”

- Nuclear Test Ban Treaty

#### The Berlin Crisis

- Berlin Wall