Honors American History II

Unit 5.2 Study Guide

**U.S. Homefront**

1. What roles did women and minorities play in the effort to support the war on the home front?

2. What was the Supreme Court’s justification for the *Korematsu v. United States* verdict?

3. What do the rulings of the Supreme Court cases *Dred Scott v. Sanford* (1857), *Plessey v. Ferguson* (1896), and *Korematsu v. United States* (1944) all have in common?

4. How did women personify the spirit of Rosie the Riveter during WWII?

5. During World War II, what was America’s primary role in the Allied defeat of the Axis Powers?

*Vocab:*

Rationing and conservation-

Manhattan Project-

War Production Board-

**European Theatre**

1. Why was the Battle of Stalingrad the turning point on the Eastern Front?

2. What was D-Day (Operation Overlord)?

3. Why did Stalin want Britain and the United States to open up a second front in France on D-Day?

*Vocab:*

Tuskegee Airmen-

Battle of the Bulge-

VE Day-

The BIG Three-

**Pacific Theatre**

1. How did President Harry Truman justify the use of an atomic bomb in 1945, against Japan?

2. What was the turning point battle in the Pacific theater of the war?

*Vocab:*

Island Hopping-

VJ Day-

**Aftermath of WWII**

1. Which two nations emerged from World War II as superpowers?

2. What important principle was established by the Nuremberg Trials?

What was the significance of the Atlantic Charter both during and after the war?

3. Which nation paid the greatest price in terms of the number of lives lost during the war?

*Vocab:*

Nuremberg Trials-

Potsdam Conference-