Preparation Questions for March 27 and 29 – Chapter 23

*Chapter Learning Objectives*

* Identify the key reasons behind the US intervention in World War II and discuss the arguments of those who opposed it.
* Describe the effects the war had on the US economy and on the lives of women and families.
* Compare and contrast the treatment of minority groups and their responses on the home front.
* Discuss the Allied military strategy in fighting World War II on the European and Pacific fronts, including how it affected US-Soviet relations and the Holocaust.

Who are the two men profiled at the beginning of the chapter and what can we learn from looking at their life stories?

Who supported v. who opposed US involvement in the second World War before December 1941, and why?

What effect did the war have on the US economy, and on American families on the homefront?

How did World War II affect American minority groups, both in military service and on the homefront?

Describe the Allied military strategy on the European and Pacific fronts.

What post-war preparations did the Allied forces make? How did those preparations affect the war’s outcome and the immediate postwar period?

Sometimes World War II is described as “the Good War.” Why? Was it?

Identify the 5 most important terms / concepts from this reading (and WHY they are important)