**US History**

**Origins of World War II**

**Questions To Consider**

**American Isolationism**

1. Why did the United States adopt isolationist policies following World War I?
2. What did these isolationist policies prevent the U.S. from joining?
3. How did the United States decide to promote world peace?

**Mussolini & Italy**

1. In a fascist government what controls all aspects of society?
2. How was Ethiopia a preview of World War II?

**Stalin & The Soviet Union**

1. What is a collective?
2. How did Stalin obtain the labor needed to modernize the Soviet Union?
3. How was Stalin responsible for the deaths of 30 million people?

**Hitler & Germany**

1. How could one argue the U.S. played a role in the extreme debt placed on Germany?
2. What were the main 3 elements of Nazism spelled out in Mein Kampf?
3. How did Hitler make Anti-Semitism official German policy?

**Franco & Spain**

1. Who fought in the Spanish civil war?
2. How did this war help German/Italian relations?

**Hirohito & Japan**

1. Why did the Japanese militarists want to expand?
2. How did Japanese expansion lead to conflict with the US?

**Global Response to Fascism & Militarism**

1. What was decided at the Munich Conferences?
2. Explain how appeasement impacted the start of WWII.