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Arsenal of Democracy 9th Grade Challenge

How did internal migration and industrial shifts reshape the American identity? Analyze the civilian and military strategies that defined the global conflict.

1. Executive Order 8802, issued by FDR in 1941, was a landmark response to pressure from A. Philip Randolph. What was its primary purpose?

- A. To mandate the internment of Japanese Americans on the West Coast
- B. To prohibit racial discrimination in the national defense industry
- C. To establish the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC)
- D. To initiate the top-secret Manhattan Project in Los Alamos

2. General _____ oversaw 'Operation Torch' in North Africa before becoming the Supreme Allied Commander for the invasion of Normandy.

- A. Douglas MacArthur
- B. George S. Patton
- C. Dwight D. Eisenhower
- D. Omar Bradley

3. The 'Double V' campaign was a slogan used by African Americans to promote victory over fascism abroad and victory over racism at home.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Which Pacific naval engagement is considered the first 'carrier vs. carrier' battle where the opposing ships never actually saw one another?

- A. The Battle of the Coral Sea
- B. The Battle of Leyte Gulf
- C. The Battle of Guadalcanal
- D. The Battle of Okinawa

5. Commonly known as the _____, this 1944 legislation provided veterans with low-interest mortgages and funding for higher education.

- A. Social Security Act
- B. G.I. Bill
- C. Fair Labor Standards Act
- D. Marshall Plan

6. The United States government utilized the 'Bracero Program' to recruit Mexican agricultural workers to solve domestic labor shortages during the war.

- A. True

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B. False

7. What was the significance of the 1944 Korematsu v. United States Supreme Court decision?

- A. It ruled that the military draft was unconstitutional during peacetime
- B. It upheld the legality of Japanese American internment based on 'military necessity'
- C. It legalized the use of the atomic bomb against civilian targets
- D. It desegregated the United States Marine Corps

8. To maintain security and prevent the interception of tactical messages, the U.S. military employed _____ Code Talkers in the Pacific Theater.

- A. Cherokee
- B. Sioux
- C. Navajo
- D. Apache

9. The 'island hopping' strategy in the Pacific was primarily designed to:

- A. Retake every single island occupied by the Japanese army
- B. Bypass fortified positions to secure airfields closer to mainland Japan
- C. Establish permanent colonies to expand the American empire
- D. Lure the Soviet Navy into the conflict against the Japanese

10. The Manhattan Project was so secret that Vice President Harry S. Truman was not informed of its existence until after Franklin D. Roosevelt's death.

- A. True
- B. False