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Primary Type: Student Tutorial

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Attachments

[Accessible Version](#): Accessible version of the tutorial content in pdf format.

General Information

Subject(s): Social Studies

Grade Level(s): 9, 10, 11, 12

Intended Audience: [Students](#)

Instructional Time: 30 Minute(s)

Keywords: Grade 11, U.S. History, tutorial, World War II, World War I, Versailles Treaty, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Adolf Hitler, Benito Mussolini, Hideki Tojo, Hirohito, Japan, Germany, Winston Churchill, Joseph Stalin, Soviet Union, fascism, Fascist Party, Nazism, Nazi Party, League of Nations, isolationism, Neutrality Act, Cash-and-Carry, Lend-Lease, Spanish Civil War, appeasement, blitzkrieg, Barbarossa, Battle of Britain, Blitz, Atlantic Charter, Pearl Harbor, FDR, WWII, WW2

Instructional Component Type(s): [Original Student Tutorial](#)

Resource Collection: Original Student Tutorials Social Studies - U.S. History - Grades 9-12

Additional Information/Instructions

By Author/Submitter

This is the first part of a 2-part tutorial! Make sure to complete **World War II Begins: Part 2** after completing this one.

Source and Access Information

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Aligned Standards

Name	Description
SS.912.A.1.4:	Analyze how images, symbols, objects, cartoons, graphs, charts, maps, and artwork may be used to interpret the significance of time periods and events from the past.
SS.912.A.6.1:	<p>Examine causes, course, and consequences of World War II on the United States and the world.</p> <p>Clarifications: Examples may include, but are not limited to, rise of dictators, attack on Pearl Harbor, Nazi party, American neutrality, D-Day, Battle of the Bulge, War in the Pacific, internment camps, Holocaust, Yalta.</p> <p>This benchmark is annually evaluated on the United States History End-of-Course Assessment. For more information on how this benchmark is evaluated view the United States History End-of-Course Assessment Test Item Specifications pages 40-42. Additional resources may be found on the FLDOE End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments webpage and the FLDOE Social Studies webpage.</p>
SS.912.A.6.2:	<p>Describe the United States response in the early years of World War II (Neutrality Acts, Cash and Carry, Lend Lease Act).</p> <p>Clarifications: This benchmark is annually evaluated on the United States History End-of-Course Assessment. For more information on how this benchmark is evaluated view the United States History End-of-Course Assessment Test Item Specifications pages 40-42. Additional resources may be found on the FLDOE End-of-Course (EOC) Assessments webpage and the FLDOE Social Studies webpage.</p>

Suggested Tutorials

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What Is an American? Evaluating the Structure of an Argument – Part Three:	<p>Examine what it means to be an American by analyzing a speech delivered by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Harold L. Ickes, in 1941. This tutorial is Part Three of a three-part series. In this tutorial, you will read more excerpts from Ickes' speech, and then you will evaluate the effectiveness of his argument's structure.</p> <p>Make sure to complete Part One and Part Two before beginning Part Three.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click HERE for Part One. Click HERE for Part Two.
What Is an American? Evaluating the Structure of an Argument – Part Two:	<p>Examine what it means to be an American by analyzing a speech delivered by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Harold L. Ickes, in 1941. This tutorial is Part Two of a three-part series. In this tutorial, you will read excerpts from Ickes' speech, and then you will identify his use of rhetorical appeals and analyze the structure of his argument.</p> <p>Make sure to complete Part One before beginning Part Two. Click HERE for Part One.</p> <p>Make sure to complete all three parts! Click HERE for Part Three.</p>
What Is an American? Evaluating the Structure of an Argument – Part One:	<p>Examine what it means to be an American by analyzing a speech delivered by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Harold L. Ickes, in 1941. This tutorial is Part One of a three-part series. In this tutorial, you will read excerpts from the opening sections of Ickes' speech. Then, you will work on determining his purpose, point of view, and important claims in these sections.</p> <p>Make sure to complete all three parts! Click HERE to view Part Two. Click HERE to view Part Three.</p>
The War at Home: World War II Poster Propaganda:	Analyze dozens of World War II propaganda posters in order to understand how Americans on the home front experienced the war years. The U.S. government commissioned propaganda to convince Americans to support the war in a variety of ways. You'll learn how these posters reveal U.S. domestic policy during the 1940s, as well as how the government tried to expand the involvement of different groups of Americans, including minorities, during WWII.
War and Peace? (Part 2 of 2):	<p>Experience the end of World War I and the Paris Peace Conference that followed, from the point of view of the United States and President Woodrow Wilson. In part 2 of this two-part, interactive tutorial, you'll also learn about the Treaty of Versailles that ended the war with Germany, about the League of Nations, and about Wilson's failure to make the U.S. a part of the newly created international organization.</p> <p>Click below to open Part 1.</p> <p>War and Peace? (Part 1)</p>
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[Coming to America: The Era of Mass Immigration:](#)

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[Captains of Industry: The Second Industrial Revolution:](#)

Learn some of the differences between the First and Second Industrial Revolutions, as well as key developments that drove the Second Industrial Revolution with this interactive tutorial. You will also learn about some of the leaders of industry during this era, including John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie, and J.P. Morgan, and examine how their development of major industries and business practices affected America's economy during the Second Industrial Revolution.

Check out the related tutorial: [The Power of Innovation: Inventors of the Industrial Revolution](#)

[Postwar Blues...and Reds:](#)

Learn about the years immediately following World War I: 1919 and 1920 in this interactive tutorial. These were dangerous years of economic depression, racial violence, and anti-immigrant nativism in the United States. You'll learn about the Red Scare, the Palmer Raids, Sacco and Vanzetti, and the rise of the Ku Klux Klan.