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European History (AP)
Chapter 28 Study Questions

World War II

Directions. In thoughtfully answering the following questions, think expansively. What “terms” or “names” are important to the response? Always consider PERSIA.

- What were Hitler’s foreign policy aims?
 - Was he bent on conquest, or did he simply want to return Germany to its 1914 boundaries?
- Why did Britain and France adopt a policy of appeasement in the 1930s?
 - Did the West buy valuable time to rearm at Munich in 1938?
- How was Hitler able to defeat France so easily in 1940?
 - Why did the air war against Britain fail?
 - Why did Hitler invade Russia?
 - Could the invasion have succeeded?
- Why did Japan attack the United States at Pearl Harbor?
 - How important was American intervention in the war?
 - Why did the United States drop atomic bombs on Japan?
 - Was President Truman right to use the bombs?
- How did experiences on the domestic front in Britain differ from those in Germany and France?
 - What impact did “The Great Patriotic War” have on the people of the Soviet Union?
- What was Hitler’s “final solution” to the Jewish question?
 - Why did he want to eliminate Slavs as well?
 - To what extent can it be said the Holocaust was the defining event of the twentieth century?