Unit 4: World War II

Essential Questions:

* In what ways were the origins of World War II in Asia and Europe similar to each other? How were they different?
* How did World War II differ from World War I?
* In what ways did World War II have global implications?
* How was World War II a “total war”? How were civilians greatly affected by this war?

Textbook: Chap. 16 (sections 1, 2, and 4)

Know these terms and their significance (importance):

-Atlantic Charter:

-Blitzkrieg:

-Battle of Midway:

-D-Day:

-Nonaggression Pact:

-Battle of Britain:

-Battle of Stalingrad:

-Hiroshima and Nagasaki:

-Winston Churchill:

-Pearl Harbor:

-Just War theory:

Short Answer (outline):

-How the war began in Europe

-Turning points of World War II

-Atomic bomb development (Manhattan Project)

-Why Japan bombed Pearl Harbor and the American response

-How World War II was a “total war”

-How the Allies turned the tide of the war, leading to victory in Europe in 1945

Long Essay (outline):

Was the United States justified in dropping the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki?

Remember to use specific examples to support your THESIS (argument). Each paragraph should contain a different piece of evidence to support your position.