

Exercise walk-through

World War II: Military ■ 7.13

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You must be able to

- state how Americans viewed the war
- state what later reinforced that view
- name the four things that achieved military victory
- state what the atomic bombs did and what they sparked

Method — The view

Americans viewed the war as a fight for the survival of freedom and democracy against fascist and militarist ideologies.

Method — Reinforcement

This perspective was later reinforced by revelations about Japanese wartime atrocities, Nazi concentration camps, and the Holocaust. “Later” — the view preceded the full knowledge that confirmed it.

Method — Four means of victory

Allied cooperation, technological and scientific advances, the contributions of servicemen and women, and campaigns such as Pacific “island-hopping” and the D-Day invasion.

Method — The bombs

The use of atomic bombs hastened the end of the war and sparked debates about the morality of using atomic weapons. The CED states an effect and a controversy in one sentence, and takes no side.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

State how Americans viewed the war and what later reinforced it.

Solution 2.1

Worked steps

as a fight for the survival of freedom and democracy against fascist and militarist ideologies **B1**; revelations about Japanese wartime atrocities, Nazi concentration camps and the Holocaust **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

Name the four things that achieved military victory.

Solution 2.2

Method: Four means of victory

Worked steps

Allied cooperation; technological and scientific advances; the contributions of servicemen and women; campaigns such as island-hopping and D-Day [B2](#).

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

The atomic bombs had two consequences.

- (a) State them.
- (b) State the force of “later reinforced”.

Solution 2.3

Worked steps

(a) they hastened the end of the war **B1** and sparked debates about the morality of using atomic weapons **B1**. (b) that the view preceded the knowledge that confirmed it **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

The CED says the use of atomic bombs hastened the end of the war and

- A** sparked debates about the morality of using atomic weapons
- B** ended all debate
- C** had no other effect
- D** was universally condemned at once

Solution 3.1

Method: The bombs

A sparked debates about the morality of using atomic weapons



B ended all debate

C had no other effect

D was universally condemned at once

Worked steps

A. moral debates.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

Military service provided opportunities for women and minorities while leading to debates over

- A** racial segregation
- B** the tariff
- C** immigration quotas
- D** the New Deal

Solution 3.2

A racial segregation



B the tariff

C immigration quotas

D the New Deal

Worked steps

A. racial segregation.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

A view held during a war is confirmed by evidence discovered afterwards.

- (a) State what this shows about the view.
- (b) Explain why the CED's word "later" matters.

Solution 3.3

Method: Reinforcement

Worked steps

(a) that it was held on other grounds at the time **B1**. (b) it distinguishes what was known during the war from what was learned afterwards **B1**, which matters for judging the decisions made at the time **B1**.