**Unit 4A Key Concepts Sheet**

Vocabulary

Out of the terms below, identify and explain their significance in American History. Honors will need to complete 20, and Academic needs to complete 15. Be deliberate in your choice of the terms, there will be some that you feel you do not need to review before the assessment. Remember, if a term is more general in nature, be sure to explain it as it pertains to American History.

Typically, for identification, ask yourself "**who was involved, what happened, what other essential term is it related to and why, where did it take place, etc.**" For significance, ask yourself "**why is this important for the course, what is the outcome, what does it lead to, etc.**" - choose terms that you truly need to review again, not ones you already know.

1. Joseph Stalin
2. Adolph Hitler
3. Benito Mussolini
4. Hideki Tojo
5. Spanish Civil War
6. Appeasement
7. Munich Conference
8. Winston Churchill
9. Neville Chamberlain
10. *Blitzkrieg*
11. Battle of Britain
12. Neutrality Acts
13. Nye Committee
14. “Four Freedoms” Speech
15. Lend-Lease Act
16. Selective Service Act
17. Atlantic Charter
18. Pearl Harbor Attack
19. Battle of Stalingrad
20. Island Hopping Strategy
21. Battle of Iwo Jima
22. Battle of Okinawa
23. Douglas MacArthur
24. Bataan Death March
25. Manhattan Project
26. Robert Oppenheimer
27. G.I. Bill of Rights
28. War Production Board
29. WWII Food Rationing
30. Battle of Midway
31. Battle of the Bulge
32. V-E Day
33. V-J Day
34. Yalta Conference
35. Potsdam Conference
36. Nuremburg Trials

**Essential Questions**

Answer the following questions in 3-5 complete sentences. Any plagiarized material will not be accepted. Academic students may pick any 3 to answer; Honors students must answer 5 questions. Try to use as many of your vocabulary words in your answer as possible.

1. How did the terms of the treaty that ended WWI contribute to the problems that led to the start of WWII?
2. Why did the European nations choose to adopt a policy of appeasement in dealing with Hitler’s aggression in the 1930s?
3. What were the Nuremberg Trials and what important principles was established there?
4. What were Japanese Internment Camps? What did the Supreme Court say about them in Korematsu v. United States (1944)?
5. The Battle of Midway is often seen as the turning point in the war in the Pacific. Explain why.
6. How does the conferences of Tehran, Yalta, and Potsdam increase hostilities between US and Soviet Union?
7. How did the U.S. and Great Britain decide to handle Europe after V-E Day?