World War II “Museum”

Station: V-Mail and Ration Book No. 3

1. What is the postage rate for members of the armed forces?
2. Which governmental agency issues the ration books?
3. What punishments may be given to persons violating rationing regulations?
4. According to the back of the ration book, what rule should govern consumers’ purchasing?

Station: Ration Book 2/3/4

1. Why are tin cans and waste fats to be saved?
2. What ages were the two women from Baltimore who were issued ration books?
3. Describe the stamps in book no. 3.
4. Describe the stamps in book no. 4.

Station: Ration Book One

1. What happens to a person’s ration book upon their death?
2. What should you do if you find a lost ration book?
3. Describe the stamps in Ration Book One.
4. Why do you think Minnie’s sister-in-law had to sign for her book?

Station: Feb 1, 1943 Life Magazine

1. Look at the advertisement on page 51 – how does Shell say that they have helped the war effort?
2. Look at page 86 – how is the war incorporated into the Royal Crown Cola advertisement?
3. Look at the advertisement on page 103 – how does this ad encourage civilians to help the war effort?
4. Look at the story on page 37 – What does the article say the audience will want to do during the movie?

Station: Nov 8, 1943 Life Magazine

1. Look at the Ex-Lax advertisement on page 18 – what does the advertisement say about Japanese ethics?
2. Look at the advertisement on page 53 – how does this encourage Americans to help with the war effort?
3. Who paid for the advertisement on page 125?
4. Look at the advertisement on page 72 – what is the link suggested to War Bonds?

Station: Posters of World War II

1. How does the poster on page 187 attempt to arouse the anger of Americans?
2. What do the posters on pages 196-197 encourage Americans to do (or not do)?
3. What method does the poster on page 223 use to make it easier for Americans to kill Japanese?
4. What view of Americans is seen in the Italian poster on page 101?
5. How does the poster on page 174 encourage Americans to help “Blast the Jap”?

Station: June 7, 1943 Life Magazine

1. Look at the article on page 28 – what is it about?
2. What techniques were used to sink the U-boat?
3. Were there any survivors from the U-boat?
4. What is the little girl’s rhyme in the ad on page 33 about?
5. Why are the drivers pictured on page 35, 36, and 38 being given tickets?
6. Look at the ad on page 59 – what advice is given to unmarried girls? What product is this ad for?