Grade 7 English Project: World War II Revised Outline

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By the time you are finished with your research you should be able to answer these questions!

Problem: Lack of Materials

Victory Gardens

- What is a Victory Garden?
- Who planted Victory Gardens?
- How many Victory Gardens were planted?
- Where were Victory Gardens planted?
- Where did people get Victory Garden supplies?
- Why was a Victory Garden grown?
- What was done with the food grown in the Victory Garden?

Rationing

- What is the definition of rationing?
- Why was rationing started?
- What food or materials were rationed?
- How were items rationed?
- How did rationing affect people's lives? (food? Gas? Metals? Fashions?)
- What different things were started because of rationing? (Black Market? Recycling? Car Pooling?)

Problem: Lack of laborers

Working Women

- Why were women not employed in "men's" jobs prior to the war?
- Who hired women once the war started?
- What types of jobs did women do during the war?
- How did they get women interested in working?
- How did women working affect their home life?
- What happened to the young children while women worked?
- How did their housing situation change?
- How does the role of working women then compare to women today?

Working Minorities

- What jobs did minority workers have prior to the war?
- How did their role in the working world change after the war started?
- How did working affect their home life?
- What changes took place that could be compared to today?
- What type of jobs did minorities take during the war

Working Children

- Describe the child labor laws prior to the war.
- How did their role in the working world change after the war started?
- What kind of work did the children do during the war?
- How did working affect their home life?
- How did the child labor laws change during the war?
- What changes took place that could be compared to today?

Possible Secondary Effects: childcare, latchkey kids, housing, divorce