

PURPOSE

This episode of Crash Course US History provides a sense of how World War 2 impacted the lives of Americans back home. You will see some of the economic, political, cultural, and social shifts that the war brought to citizens of the United States. It's these changes that cement World War II as an important turning point in World and US History.

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 <u>Crash Course US History #36 –</u> World War II Part 2

Watch the video on your own time, either at home, on your phone, or in the library.

PREVIEW

In which John Green teaches you about World War 2, as it was lived on the home front. You'll learn about how the war changed the country as a whole, and changed how Americans thought about their country. John talks about the government control of war production, and how the war probably helped to end the Great Depression. A broader implementation of the income tax, the growth of large corporations, and the development of the West Coast as a manufacturing center were also results of the war. The war positively changed the roles of women and African Americans, but it was pretty terrible for the Japanese Americans who were interred in camps. In short, World War II changed America's role in the world, changed American life at home, and eventually spawned the History Channel.

PROCESS

Remember that John speaks very quickly, and you should watch the video with captions. Don't forget to pause and rewind when necessary. Before you watch the video, remember to look back at the central ideas of the Unit 7 Essential Questions and the Lesson 7.3 Essential Questions.



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LESSON 7.3.6 | WATCH | Key Ideas – Factual

Think about the following questions as you watch the video.

1. In what ways was America a different country by the end of World War II?

2. How was the US Gross National Product able to increase so dramatically?

3. What areas of the country saw growth and benefitted from the war production? Which areas suffered?

4. What impact did the war have on women?

5. What were FDR's four freedoms?





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6. What was the Servicemen's Readjustment Act?

7. How did the war reshape the way Americans thought of themselves?

8. Describe race relations during the times before and after the war.

9. What is Executive Order 9066?

10. How did America position itself as the global economic leader following the war?