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- 1. What things does Zinn intend to examine when he asks if WWII was a People's War?
- 2. Zinn says we were not followers of our own policy of Non-Intervention (Self Determination) after WWI. What events support this?
- 3. What were our pre WWII relations with Mussolini's Italy? How about Hirohito's Japan?
- 4. Do you think evidence is strong enough to make the argument that we provoked Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor? Were our actions a threat to the "Very existence" of Japan?
- 5. What promises were made by our government to France considering post war relations?
- 6. How was the "Open Door" policy connected to the Middle East, particularly Saudi Arabia?
- 7. What is the Intention of the *International Monetary Fund*? What long term effects can you predict it would have?
- 8. What does Zinn say about Race in WWII concerning...
 - a. Jews?
 - b. African Americans?
 - c. Japanese Americans?
- 9. What relations developed between FDR and Corporations during WWII? What about labor Unions at the same time?
- 10. Give two examples of opposition to the war on the Home Front.

- 11. What do you think about Zinn's description of Bombing civilians? Should Civilians be targets?
- 12. Do you think the A-Bomb should have been dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki? Support or argue with a point of Zinn's.