JAPANESE INTERNMENT

# PHOTO #1

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. Why might the owner of this store have a large sign that says, “I am an American”?
3. Do you think this sign makes any difference to the people who see it?

PHOTO #2

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. Who and why might someone put a sign like this on their home?
3. What could this tell us about the general population on the west coast?

PHOTO #3

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. What do you think about all of the luggage? Do you think they’ll be able to take it all with them?
3. People were allowed to take “only what we could carry.” Could you pack everything you wanted to take with you for who knows how long in one suitcase?

PHOTO #4

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. Where do you think these people are going?
3. Do you think this looks organized?

PHOTO #5

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. How do the people look? Happy? Sad? Upset?
3. What kind of place does this look like? Where do you think the people are going?

PHOTO #6

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. How do you think life was like in a place like this?
3. Would you like to live in a place like this?

PHOTO #7

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. Why do you think this man has to bathe this way?
3. Would you like to live like this for 3-4 years?

PHOTO #8

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. Do you think it would be easy to make a room like this feel like home?
3. How many people do you think would be expected to live in a room like this?

PHOTO #9

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. How do you think the children felt about living in an internment camp?
3. Do you think children of this age could be a “threat” to the security of the US?

PHOTO #10

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. Why might some of the Japanese-American men be allowed to leave the camps to join the war effort?
3. Do you think it was a good idea that the US military let what they classified as “enemies” fight for them in war?

PHOTO #11

1. What do you see in this photograph?
2. What could be an advantage to having Japanese-Americans in the military?
3. Could there be problems with using Japanese-Americans in the military?