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### Oklahoma: Land of Opportunity

#### Chapter 15: Wars and Baby Boomers

##### Section 1

##### World War II

##### Directions:

Use the information from pages 382 - 390 to complete the following.

1. Articles in Oklahoma newspapers in the late 1930s and early 1940s were not only about dust \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ increasingly featured \_\_\_\_\_ international events.
3. The relatively small countries of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, each led by a \_\_\_\_\_ (a ruler with complete control), believed the best way to get out of the Great Depression was to expand their \_\_\_\_\_ and gain new \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The dictators skillfully \_\_\_\_\_ their citizens that the best defense against \_\_\_\_\_ was to make their countries \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ was an \_\_\_\_\_ nation that lacked the basic raw materials it needed to become a world \_\_\_\_\_.
6. In 1931, Japan \_\_\_\_\_ Manchuria, a province of China, an act that was \_\_\_\_\_ by the United States and some European countries.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ and his \_\_\_\_\_ gained control of \_\_\_\_\_ in 1933.
8. Hitler's plan included making Germany strong again by freeing the country of "\_\_\_\_\_, " regaining lost \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ new territory.
9. Hitler blamed most of Germany's problems on the \_\_\_\_\_ people, and he began the \_\_\_\_\_ (extremely evil) systematic act against humanity of \_\_\_\_\_ thousands of Jews and others.
10. Under Benito \_\_\_\_\_, Italy also saw 1936 as the time to make its move for new territory by invading \_\_\_\_\_, an independent country in northeast \_\_\_\_\_.

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11. Soon after 1936, Germany and Italy formed an \_\_\_\_\_ to support \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (conservative) Spanish General Francisco \_\_\_\_\_ in his revolt against the politically left-wing republican \_\_\_\_\_.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ made a secret \_\_\_\_\_ in which they agreed to not \_\_\_\_\_ each other.
13. A week later, September 1, 1939, German troops invaded \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Country by country, Germany and Italy continued \_\_\_\_\_ nations.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ fought to halt the aggression, but on June 14, 1940, Germany captured \_\_\_\_\_, and France was split into two zones.
16. German \_\_\_\_\_ on Great Britain began on August 8, 1940, but the \_\_\_\_\_ fought back and on September 17, Hitler postponed the \_\_\_\_\_ of Great Britain.
17. Most \_\_\_\_\_ wanted no part of the \_\_\_\_\_ brewing overseas, and Congress passed several \_\_\_\_\_ laws in the mid-1930s.
18. President \_\_\_\_\_ watched with alarm as the aggressors continued taking over countries, and he realized that U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ was inevitable.
19. The \_\_\_\_\_ peacetime military \_\_\_\_\_ was initiated in September 1940.
20. Germany took on another mighty \_\_\_\_\_ when it ignored the earlier \_\_\_\_\_ and targeted the Soviet Union in June 1941.
21. The \_\_\_\_\_ sent weapons and supplies to both Great Britain and the Soviet Union in an effort to \_\_\_\_\_ Germany.
22. In September, merchant ships with \_\_\_\_\_ supplies were escorted by American ships to Great Britain; in October, a German \_\_\_\_\_ sank the *Reuben James*, an \_\_\_\_\_ ship.
23. To try to slow \_\_\_\_\_ aggressions, the United States reduced its \_\_\_\_\_ exports, but the effort failed.

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24. Japan joined \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ as the \_\_\_\_\_.
25. Japan's new \_\_\_\_\_ General Hideki Tojo believed that no nation could stop Japan's rise to \_\_\_\_\_.
26. Shortly after \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, over 180 Japanese planes \_\_\_\_\_ the U.S. naval base in \_\_\_\_\_, Hawaii.
27. A stunned nation heard a saddened, but determined President Roosevelt call December 7 " \_\_\_\_\_."
28. On December 8, 1941, the United States declared war against \_\_\_\_\_.
29. Three days later, Germany and Italy \_\_\_\_\_ war on the United States.
30. The United States joined the \_\_\_\_\_ of the United Kingdom, France, Poland, Norway, Belgium, the Netherlands, the Soviet Union, China, and Brazil.
31. In 1940, the \_\_\_\_\_ began looking for sites for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ plants, \_\_\_\_\_ plants, \_\_\_\_\_ training centers, and \_\_\_\_\_ and maintenance depots.
32. On April 8, 1941, Oklahoma City had received a \_\_\_\_\_ for a supply and maintenance depot, and \_\_\_\_\_ was opened in 1942.
33. In addition to Tinker Field, more than \_\_\_\_\_ military facilities were built or approved in \_\_\_\_\_ between 1941 and 1943.
34. " \_\_\_\_\_ — Gone to Army, No trespassing — Will open after war."
35. Almost \_\_\_\_\_ Oklahomans enlisted in the armed forces, and another 300,000 were \_\_\_\_\_.
36. Oklahomans served in all \_\_\_\_\_ of the military, and most served with people from all parts of the country.
37. The success of the Native American \_\_\_\_\_ talkers in World War I led to their \_\_\_\_\_ in World War II.

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38. Different groups of \_\_\_\_\_ were used in both \_\_\_\_\_ (areas) of the war.
39. The \_\_\_\_\_ attack by Japan caused an immediate concern and \_\_\_\_\_ of Americans who were of Japanese, German, or Italian descent.
40. Many Japanese Americans, especially on the West Coast, were quickly rounded up and moved to “\_\_\_\_\_” for the duration of the war.
41. To keep the home front \_\_\_\_\_, Americans who weren’t in the \_\_\_\_\_ filled the work positions of those who went overseas.
42. \_\_\_\_\_ went to work in the factories and plants, and they came to be called “\_\_\_\_\_” for Rosie the \_\_\_\_\_, the character in a famous World War II poster.
43. (A \_\_\_\_\_ is a metal bolt or pin.)
44. Food, clothing, petroleum, and other items were \_\_\_\_\_, that is, the supply of certain items was limited.
45. On \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_), the Allies began a massive, bloody counterattack on the Axis Powers on the beaches of \_\_\_\_\_, France.
46. The \_\_\_\_\_ march across \_\_\_\_\_ ended with the fall of \_\_\_\_\_ in April 1945.
47. Hitler committed \_\_\_\_\_ on April 30, 1945, and Germany’s \_\_\_\_\_ was accepted on May 8 (\_\_\_\_\_).
48. The war in the \_\_\_\_\_ Theater was equally brutal.
49. Troops battled for islands as the Allies methodically worked their way across the \_\_\_\_\_ toward the \_\_\_\_\_ mainland.
50. At the same time, some of America’s top \_\_\_\_\_ were working on the secret \_\_\_\_\_.
51. On July 16, 1945, President \_\_\_\_\_ received word that scientists had perfected the \_\_\_\_\_.

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52. Truman called for Japan to \_\_\_\_\_ unconditionally or face total \_\_\_\_\_.
53. Japan \_\_\_\_\_ the warning; on \_\_\_\_\_, 1945, the crew of the \_\_\_\_\_ dropped an atomic bomb on \_\_\_\_\_, a major supply and logistics base for the Japanese military.
54. An estimated \_\_\_\_\_ people were killed, but Japan still \_\_\_\_\_ to surrender.
55. A \_\_\_\_\_ atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki, a \_\_\_\_\_ center, on August 9, killing an estimated 40,000 people that day.
56. The Japanese finally \_\_\_\_\_ on August 15, and the official surrender papers were signed on September 2, 1945.
57. Worldwide, some 62 \_\_\_\_\_ people \_\_\_\_\_ as a result of the war, including military, civilians, and the \_\_\_\_\_ who died during the \_\_\_\_\_ (the name given to the slaughter of Europeans, especially Jews, by the Nazis).

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##### Section 2

##### Social Change

##### Directions:

Use the information from pages 392 - 398 to complete the following.

1. Oklahomans joined millions of other Americans in shouting for \_\_\_\_\_ when excited radio announcers said, "We interrupt this program to tell you the \_\_\_\_\_!"
2. World War II created tremendous \_\_\_\_\_ in America.
3. New \_\_\_\_\_ were learned, and new \_\_\_\_\_ was developed.
4. At the same time, a \_\_\_\_\_ movement was just beginning to extend full \_\_\_\_\_ to African Americans.
5. Life on the \_\_\_\_\_ would never be the same.
6. People found jobs in \_\_\_\_\_ areas with steady hours and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that had not yet come to many rural areas.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ and new \_\_\_\_\_ meant that farms needed fewer people to run them.
8. Before the war was over, President Roosevelt signed the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, better known as the \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The GI Bill provided \_\_\_\_\_ with funds for education and training; home, farm, or business loans; unemployment pay; and job search assistance.
10. The urban growth demanded new \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Developers built entire blocks of houses at a time on the edge of cities, and the American phenomenon of \_\_\_\_\_ was born.

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12. The number of \_\_\_\_\_ born in postwar America created a tremendous increase in \_\_\_\_\_ that continues to impact our country today.
13. As the \_\_\_\_\_ have progressed through the years, their impact has been reflected in the stages of life – from baby products to educational institutions to jobs and retirement.
14. Several major \_\_\_\_\_ breakthroughs improved the \_\_\_\_\_ of life in America.
15. The production of \_\_\_\_\_, called a medical miracle, was increased in early 1940s to treat wounded soldiers for the biggest \_\_\_\_\_ killer – \_\_\_\_\_.
16. \_\_\_\_\_ discovered a vaccine for \_\_\_\_\_, a dreaded disease that left thousands of people, often children, dead, paralyzed, or crippled.
17. Just as \_\_\_\_\_ had impacted an earlier generation, \_\_\_\_\_ moved into the mainstream of American life in the 1950s.
18. Oklahoma was the first \_\_\_\_\_ to provide by \_\_\_\_\_ a statewide educational television network in 1953.
19. Popular music was changed forever when a new style of music called \_\_\_\_\_-and-\_\_\_\_\_ began to emerge in the 1950s.
20. The invention of the pocket-sized \_\_\_\_\_ in the 1950s coincided with the “\_\_\_\_\_” rock-and-roll music.
21. In 1956, the Federal Aid Highway Act established an \_\_\_\_\_ highway system that crisscrossed America.
22. \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ movie theaters popped up around the state and nation.
23. The popularity of automobiles also led to a new restaurant concept of \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ and being served by a \_\_\_\_\_.
24. Another boom was seen in the area of building \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for flood control, drinking water reservoirs, irrigation, and recreation.

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25. After World War II, voices in the \_\_\_\_\_ community began to be raised over \_\_\_\_\_.
26. The first challenges came at the higher \_\_\_\_\_ level.
27. In January 1946, \_\_\_\_\_ of Chickasha, a black \_\_\_\_\_ graduate of Langston University, \_\_\_\_\_ for admission to the University of Oklahoma School of Law.
28. Due to state \_\_\_\_\_ laws, Sipuel was \_\_\_\_\_ admission to the law school, and she started legal action.
29. \_\_\_\_\_ (later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court) assisted Sipuel and her attorney Amos T. Hall.
30. Although defeated in lower courts, the case was taken to the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_, which \_\_\_\_\_ the state to provide an \_\_\_\_\_ education for blacks.
31. Legal efforts continued, and, in \_\_\_\_\_, the Supreme Court ruled, in *Sipuel v. Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma*, that \_\_\_\_\_ students \_\_\_\_\_ be permitted to attend previously \_\_\_\_\_ schools.



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##### Section 3 The Postwar Period

**Directions:** Use the information from pages 399 - 403 to complete the following.

1. Oklahoma's first \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ governor was Robert S. \_\_\_\_\_, who served during the war years from 1942 to 1946.
2. In 1948, Kerr was elected to serve in the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_, a seat he held until he died in January 1963.
3. One of his lasting \_\_\_\_\_ is the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System.
4. Roy J. \_\_\_\_\_ succeeded Kerr as \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The two \_\_\_\_\_ military powers that emerged after World War II were the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Without the commonality of \_\_\_\_\_, the cultural and political differences between the two widened even more.
7. The power struggle between the two came to be called the \_\_\_\_\_, and it would last through four decades.
8. The United States was determined to prevent the Soviet Union's \_\_\_\_\_ government from expanding to other countries.
9. The divided nation of \_\_\_\_\_ became ground zero for the struggle against \_\_\_\_\_ in 1950, when communist North Korea invaded noncommunist South Korea.
10. The Korean \_\_\_\_\_, called a " \_\_\_\_\_" by President Truman rather than a war, lasted three years.
11. Fear of a \_\_\_\_\_ war with the Soviet Union, created a great deal of anxiety in America in the 1950s.
12. Schoolchildren were taught to " \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_" under their desks in the event of a bomb strike, and \_\_\_\_\_ spotters watched the skies for any suspicious activity.

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13. Johnston \_\_\_\_\_ took office as Oklahoma's governor at the early part of the communist scare.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ rights took a step \_\_\_\_\_ during Murray's term, when women were permitted to serve on \_\_\_\_\_.
15. New \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were two of the issues before the next governor, \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Even with some laws \_\_\_\_\_, it took years to improve the status of \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma.
17. History teacher \_\_\_\_\_ vowed to fight segregation, and she led one of the first \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ in the United States.
18. (A \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ occurs when a group of people enter a public facility and refuse to leave until they are recognized or their demands are met.)
19. \_\_\_\_\_ was repealed under the administration of Governor J. Howard Edmondson in 1959.
20. The rivalry between the United States and the Soviet Union evolved into the \_\_\_\_\_.
21. Americans were caught by surprise when the Soviet Union launched \_\_\_\_\_ on October 4, 1957, and the United States feared the Soviet technology could lead to \_\_\_\_\_ warfare.
22. The U.S. Defense Department immediately began work on the \_\_\_\_\_ satellite project, which was launched January 31, 1958.
23. In July 1958, \_\_\_\_\_ passed the National Aeronautics and Space Act, which created \_\_\_\_\_.
24. Seven military test pilots were chosen by a rigorous process to be the first human voyagers into \_\_\_\_\_, and they were called \_\_\_\_\_.
25. The first American \_\_\_\_\_ to successfully complete the screening process for NASA's *Mercury 13* program in 1959 was Oklahoma's Geraldyn M. "Jerrie" Cobb.