

Part 1: The World We Live In

1. What is the normal definition of history? What is the *History At Our House* definition of history?

2. Label the major cultural blocks indicated that are part of the world we live in, and answer the prompts in the briefest way you can.

Degree of military power: _____

Most important national members: _____

European mother countries: _____

Unique religion: _____

Part 2: The Cardinal Anchor Facts of American History

3. Read the summary of American history and use the prompts to write the information requested about the cardinal anchor facts of American history.

The United States is a country born in the
name of individual rights that originally
maintained its political
separation from the world, which became the
most important country in the world by
fighting in two world wars _____
through which it became the world police
power that is now
fighting the "War on Terror."

_____ Year(s): _____
Year(s): _____
Monroe Doctrine _____
Year(s): _____
Year(s): 1947 _____
Year(s): 1939-45 _____
Year(s): _____

4. Who said "*the world must be made safe for democracy,*"? What war did America enter as a result?

5. What country became America's enemy *after* World War II? What kind of government did it have? What did president Harry Truman announce to deal with this threat?

Part 3: Two Dimensions and Two Stories

6. America went from political separation to policing the world. What other important transition separates early America and modern America? (Be sure to include any relevant anchor facts!)

Part 4: Bonus

7. What three rights are listed in the *Declaration of Independence*?

8. What president promised a “return to normalcy” after World War I?

9. What law abolished slavery in the United States?
