

# Free Response Questions for Unit 8: World War II

There will be no vocabulary matching section this exam- students are expected to use the vocabulary terms in their responses appropriately.

**Map Task:** Students will identify key WWII battles from the European & Pacific theatre on a map and describe the event that took place.

**Chart Response:** Describe how German, Italian and Japanese aggression paved the road to World War II. (10.8.1).

4.0	In addition to score 3.0 performance, the response may <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe the road to war in chronological order, including <b>4</b> or more acts of aggression.</li> <li>Explain, specifically, how each act and the reactions of the western democracies contributed to the outbreak of WWI.</li> <li>Support your response with accurate historic details such as names, events and places.</li> </ul>
3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe <b>3</b> acts of aggression committed by Germany, Italy or Japan before WWII.</li> <li>Identify the country who acted, what year and where.</li> <li>Describe what the country did and what they hoped to gain.</li> <li>Describe, overall, how the western democracies (Britain, France and the US) reacted including explanations of appeasement and isolationism.</li> </ul>
2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>List <b>3</b> acts of aggression committed by Germany, Italy or Japan before WWII began.</li> <li>Identify which country acted, what they did and where.</li> <li>Define appeasement and isolationism.</li> </ul>
1.0	Partial understanding of some of the simple details of the 2.0 content, but not the 3.0 content
0	No understanding demonstrated

**Prompt B:** Identify turning points in the war and explain how they changed the course of WWII (10.8.3)

4.0	In addition to score 3.0 performance, the response may <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe <b>3</b> or more turning points in WWII.</li> <li>Support your response with many specific historic details.</li> <li>Connect turning points to the final outcome of WWII or beyond</li> </ul>
3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe <b>1</b> turning point in the <u>European Theater</u> of WWII including which country acted, what they accomplished and where with some specific details (people, dates etc.)</li> <li>Describe <b>1</b> turning point in the <u>Pacific Theater</u> of WWII including which country acted, what they accomplished and where with some specific details (people, dates etc.)</li> <li>EXPLAIN why this event was a turning point in the war (what did it change?).</li> </ul>
2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify <b>2</b> turning points in WWII</li> <li>Identify which country acted, what they accomplished and where.</li> </ul>
1.0	Partial understanding of some of the simple details of the 2.0 content, but not the 3.0 content
0	No understanding demonstrated