US HISTORY

CHAPTER 17 READING

**Directions: Use pages 562 – 568 in order to complete the following questions. (Worth 15 Points)**

**Americans Join the War Effort:**

1. How many Americans volunteered to fight in World War II? How many were drafted?

2. What did women do in the Women’s Army Corps?

3. When did men and women begin to serve together in the military? (side bar)

4. Why were some minority groups reluctant to fight in World War II?

5. Originally what role did African American soldiers play in the war?

**A Production Miracle:**

6. What did the nation’s automobile plants produce for the war?

7. What were two example of industries changing for the war effort?

8. How long did it take shipbuilders to construct Hull 440?

9. How many women worked in war industries?

10. How much were women paid in comparison to men?

11. Why did African Americans rally at the capital on July 1, 1941?

12. What deal did Roosevelt and Randolph reach?

13. What scientific improvements did the OSRD make during the war? (two examples)

14. Who warned Roosevelt of the potential of a German atomic bomb?

15. What items were rationed?