**Honors U.S. History**

**“Origins of World War II”  
Mr. Fernandez**

Answer each of the following questions for up to two points each… you may use your notes:

1. How did “Il Duce” exploit Italian fears of communism?
2. Describe the social and economic impact of communism in the Soviet Union.
3. Describe the goals and ideology of the Nazi Party which arose “out of post-war Germany’s economic and political chaos.”
4. Why did military leaders in Japan decide to invade Northern China? Describe what happened in Nanking in 1937.
5. What is “appeasement?” How does this term relate to the Munich Crisis? Was Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain right with his quote? Explain in a paragraph.
6. Describe specifically what British prime minister Winston Churchill referring to when he said, “Never in the field of human history was so much owed by so many to so few.”
7. How did the findings of the Nye Committee contribute American neutrality in the 1930s?
8. What were the requirements, or provisions, of the Neutrality Act of 1937? How did the Judiciary Act of 1939 amend the act from 1937?
9. What was the Lend-Lease Act? This act benefited not only Britain, but also what other country, which was invaded by Hitler in 1941?
10. How did President Roosevelt’s concept of a “Hemispheric Defense Zone” lead to escalating tension with Germany?

Bonus Question (2 points):

B1. Why did the Japanese decide to bomb Pearl Harbor? What was the effect?