

Japanese internment Essay

During the latter half of the 19th century Japan emerged as a growing imperial power. By 1910 the Japanese had annexed Korea, gained control of its government, and imposed Japanese rule and customs on the Korean nation. Starting in the early 1930's, Imperial Japan began attacking the Chinese mainland, first in Manchuria, and to the southward as the 1930's continued. By 1937 a full scale Sino (Chinese-Japanese) War was underway.

By early 1940, with a war raging in Europe, the United States had reevaluated its trade relationship with Japan and stopped the sale of materials that the US believed had assisted the Japanese imperial expansion in Asia.

There had been Japanese immigration to the United States for more than a century by the 1940's. Japanese and Japanese-Americans were found in many parts of the United States, but the majority lived on the Pacific coast and in Hawaii. People of Japanese heritage had experiences similar to many other immigrant groups. They experienced both the benefits of new opportunities in their adopted land, and the challenges of being immigrants of non-European ancestry. People of Japanese ancestry faced a crisis following the attack of the Imperial Japanese Navy at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on December 7, 1941.

Prompt:

In February 1942 President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066 ordering the internment of people of Japanese heritage in identified areas. The issuance of the Executive Order was influenced by:

- Concern about national security threats
- Social / racial attitudes about Japanese and Japanese Americans
- Economic issues including land and business ownership.

Which motivation for Japanese Internment was most significant?

Make sure to address **all** of the listed motivations in your paper.

Sources:

Your paper must include a minimum of SIX sources. You must use at least THREE of the provided sources in your essay. In addition, find a minimum of THREE additional sources.

Format:

- Use the Logan MLA formatting guide to correctly use in-text citation of sources.
- Your paper should be a minimum of FOUR typed pages not counting the Work Cited page.
- Your paper must have a Work Cited page. All sources used in your paper must be included in your Work Cited Page. You must have a minimum of SIX sources on the Work Cited page.
- Your essay must be typed, double spaced, and use 12-point font.

Grading:

- Your essay will be graded using the Argumentative Essay Rubric.
- Your essay will be submitted to Turnitin.com