

“Behind the Wire Fence” Quiz

Directions: Read the article “Behind the Wire Fence” in the May/June 2017 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the bubble next to the best answer for each question below.

1. Which would be the best new title for “Behind the Wire Fence”?

- (A) “Why World War II Happened”
- (B) “Locked Up Unfairly”
- (C) “Japanese Americans in the 20th Century”
- (D) “Return to Heart Mountain”

2. According to the article, why did the U.S. enter World War II?

- (A) Germany was invading countries in Europe.
- (B) Japan had taken over parts of China.
- (C) Japan attacked Pearl Harbor.
- (D) Germany threatened to bomb the U.S.

3. Which line from the article supports the answer to question 2?

- (A) “A terrible war was raging across the world.”
- (B) “Japanese planes bombed the U.S. military base in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.”
- (C) “By spring, signs had appeared in Bill’s neighborhood.”
- (D) “World War II ended in 1945 . . .”

4. Conditions at Heart Mountain Relocation Center could best be described as _____.

- (A) cold, harsh, and crowded
- (B) lonely because prisoners never saw each other
- (C) noisy and polluted because of nearby highways
- (D) uncomfortable but not terrible

5. Which line from the article shows that people tried to make the best of their situation in prison camps?

- (A) “Nothing could prepare Bill for what greeted him at the end of his journey.”
- (B) “The thin walls barely kept out the frigid Wyoming winds and snows.”
- (C) “Nearly 40 years after the camps closed, Congress launched an investigation.”
- (D) “Children attended camp schools and formed baseball teams.”

6. In total, about how many Japanese Americans were imprisoned?

- (A) 127,000
- (B) 120,000
- (C) 20,000
- (D) 10,000

7. During World War II, many Japanese Americans who were not in internment camps were _____.

- (A) working in museums
- (B) fighting on America’s side in the war
- (C) attending college
- (D) visiting Japan

8. Where in the story can you find the answer to question 7?

- (A) in the title
- (B) in the first paragraph
- (C) in the section “Attacked!”
- (D) in the photo caption on page 9

Constructed Response

Directions: On a separate piece of paper, write your answer to each question in a well-organized response. Make sure you support your answers with information and details from the article.

9. How did the bombing of Pearl Harbor affect the way Japanese Americans were viewed in the United States?

10. Why does Bill believe it’s important to tell people about the internment camps?