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# Fred Korematsu - Answer Key

*Read each question and circle the correct answer.*

1. Where was Fred Korematsu born?

- ☒ A. Oakland, California
- B. Tokyo, Japan
- C. New York, New York
- D. Honolulu, Hawaii

2. Which of these prompted the US's entry into World War II?

- A. Kristallnacht in Germany and Austria
- ☒ B. The attack on Pearl Harbor by imperial Japan
- C. Nazi Germany's invasion of Poland
- D. The bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

3. Executive Order 9066 authorized which of the following?

- ☒ A. The relocation of Japanese Americans into internment camps
- B. The right of Japanese immigrants to become US citizens
- C. The closure of internment camps that did not meet safety standards
- D. The removal of Japanese Americans from US soil

4. Who offered to help Korematsu build a case against Executive Order 9066?

- A. A lawyer from the Center for Constitutional Rights
- ☒ C. A representative from the American Civil Liberties Union
- B. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt
- D. Justice Robert Jackson of the Supreme Court

5. Korematsu was tried and convicted of {}.

- A. refusing to enlist in the military
- B. plotting against the government
- C. spying on behalf of imperial Japan
- ☒ D. failing to obey military orders

6. Which of these quotations best describes the Supreme Court's majority opinion of internment in 1944?

- A. "Racial discrimination"
- ☒ B. "A military necessity"
- C. "A loaded weapon"
- D. "Ready for the hand of any authority"

7. Which president created a special commission to reevaluate the internment of Japanese Americans?

- A. Richard Nixon
- B. Gerald Ford
- ☒ C. Jimmy Carter
- D. Ronald Reagan

8. True or False: The special commission found that Japanese internment had been based on racism.

- ☒ A. True
- B. False

9. When was Korematsu's conviction overturned?

- A. 1968
- ☒ B. 1980
- C. 1995
- D. 2001

10. Which of these best describes Korematsu's focus in his later years?

- A. Lobbying the government to pay reparations to formerly interned citizens
- B. Getting the government to apologize for the atrocity of interment
- C. Supporting others whose constitutional rights had been violated
- ☒ D. All of the above