

# Fascist Fraud – Franklin Delano Roosevelt

## Various Definitions of Fascism:

- a governmental system led by a leader having complete power, forcibly suppressing opposition and criticism, regimenting all industry, commerce, etc., and emphasizing an aggressive nationalism along with racism.
- a way of organizing a society in which a government ruled by a power-hungry leader controls the lives of the people and in which people are not allowed to disagree with the government
- a system of government marked by centralization of authority under a powerful leader, a capitalist economy subject to stringent governmental controls, violent suppression of the opposition, and typically a policy of belligerent nationalism and racism.

1. FDR is in the top three of any “historical ranking” of presidents. O True      O False
2. FDR is viewed typically as:  
     the man who saved America from \_\_\_\_\_,  
     the man who liberated Europe from \_\_\_\_\_,  
     and the man who is a hero for the \_\_\_\_\_ American.
3. In reality, according to this author:  
     FDR’s New Deal made the Great Depression \_\_\_\_\_  
     FDR’s foreign policy involved a devious manipulation to \_\_\_\_\_  
     FDR’s foreign policy also embroiled the U.S. in a decades long \_\_\_\_\_

## The American Aristocrat

4. What sort of family did FDR come from? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Does he deserve the image of being the hero of the common man? \_\_\_\_\_
6. FDR served as a state senator, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and \_\_\_\_\_
7. How was his wife Eleanor related to him? \_\_\_\_\_
8. How many children did he have? \_\_\_\_\_
9. What sort of husband was he? \_\_\_\_\_
10. FDR wanted to be seen as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the American people.
11. FDR acted on the principle made famous by Rahm Emanuel in 2008 – “Never let \_\_\_\_\_

## The American Dictator

12. FDR promised that he would circumvent \_\_\_\_\_ if they failed to act according to his wishes.
13. What justification did FDR give for many of the measures he took? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Congress usurped power from the \_\_\_\_\_ and FDR usurped power from \_\_\_\_\_
15. During the “First Hundred Days” of FDR’s administration, what died a swift death? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Was the “bank holiday” constitutional? \_\_\_\_\_
17. The National Industry Recovery Act (NIRA) & Agricultural Adjustment Act (AAA) co-opted the American economy through:  
     *Central* \_\_\_\_\_  
     *Price* \_\_\_\_\_  
     *W* \_\_\_\_\_ *controls*  
     *Slash-and-Burn* \_\_\_\_\_ *policies*
18. What impact did liberal Jimmy Carter say that the AAA policies had on farmers? \_\_\_\_\_
19. Federal debt during FDR was increased \_\_\_\_\_ fold.

20. The value of the dollar was cut in \_\_\_\_\_
21. During FDR's first two terms in office, the rate of unemployment remained above \_\_\_\_\_ percent.
22. Despite his programs, the economy did what in 1936? \_\_\_\_\_
23. What did FDR attempt to do to the Supreme Court? \_\_\_\_\_
24. His court packing plan earned him the nickname "K \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_"
25. How does this author believe FDR viewed himself and a president? \_\_\_\_\_
26. What justification did FDR give for his decision to run for an unprecedented third term?  
\_\_\_\_\_
27. What did FDR's administration think of Mussolini's Italy? \_\_\_\_\_

### The Warmonger

28. FDR was privately pushing the notion that America should serve as the driving force in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
29. Had Germany been successful in her air war against Britain?     Yes     No
30. Were most Americans worried about Germany's ability to attack the U.S. by air? \_\_\_\_\_
31. According to Secretary of War Henry Stimson's diary on November 25, 1941, what was the question?  
\_\_\_\_\_
32. What did FDR expect as a result of the ten demands made by Secretary of State Cordell Hull in 1941?  
\_\_\_\_\_
33. What messages did American listening stations intercept in the weeks leading up to Dec 7th?  
\_\_\_\_\_
34. What did FDR do with regard to his phone calls on the day of the attack? \_\_\_\_\_
35. As messages about the attack filtered into Washington, what was the army chief of staff doing? \_\_\_\_\_
36. How was the War Production Board created? \_\_\_\_\_
37. What was the purpose and function of the War Production Board?  
\_\_\_\_\_
38. FDR left a mess in the wake of the war:
- His negotiations with Stalin set the table for the \_\_\_\_\_
  - His insistence on a replacement for the League of Nations left us with \_\_\_\_\_
39. World War II was simply part of a larger war that began in 1914 (beginning of World War I) and ended only with the \_\_\_\_\_ in what year? \_\_\_\_\_
40. By the end of the war, what fraction of American people were dependent on the government for some kind of income? \_\_\_\_\_
41. What sort of new taxes were the American people saddled with?  
\_\_\_\_\_
42. The fact that FDR is classified as a great president means that Americans have lost \_\_\_\_\_  
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