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**Research and Discussion**

**1940s Assignment**

**Directions:**

* Research the following nine (9) topics/ideas for ***America in the 1940s.***
* Responses do not need to be in complete sentences, however, this activity *will* lead to a *thorough and rich student-led conversation*. Consequently, you *MUST* be prepared with research material to bring to the discussion. Use lined paper for additional research notes.
* Consider how life in America in the 1940s was similar or different from life today. Perhaps you can choose ***THREE*** of the topics you researched and use them to compare and contrast life in America in the 1940s and life in America today.
* **The topics below are *possible conversation springboards*.** Feel free, however, to bring other items you discover during your research to the discussion table.
* This paper will be collected after our discussion.

1. What were popular leisure activities?

2. Fashion?

3. Entertainment? (music, films, musicians, actors/actresses)

4. What were popular professions?

5. What were some big news stories?

6. Role of women?

7. Technology?

8. Who would have been drafted during WWII?

9. Effects of WWII?