

#### **SOL Connections for High School Social Studies Teachers**

A field trip to the National Museum of the Marine Corps gives Virginia public school teachers the opportunity to enhance students' understanding of the SOL Curriculum Framework.

#### World History and Geography: 1500 to the Present

WHII. 10 The Student will demonstrate knowledge of the worldwide impact of World War I.

Following a visit to the Museum, students will be able to answer these **SOL Essential Questions:** 

- What were the factors that produced World War I?
- o What were the major events of the war?
- o Who were the major leaders?

**SOL Essential Understandings & Essential Knowledge** (WHII.11) identified in the Museum's **World War I Gallery**:

- Diplomatic Failures
- o Militarism
- United States enters the war
- Woodrow Wilson
- o Enormous cost of the war in lives, property and social disruption

## WHII.12: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the worldwide impact of World War II.

Following a visit to the Museum, students will be able to answer these **SOL Essential Questions:** 

- o What were the causes of World War II?
- o What were the major events of World War II?
- o Who were the major leaders of World War II?
- What were the outcomes of World War II?
- What were the international cooperative organizations created after World War II?

# **SOL Essential Understandings & Essential Knowledge** (WHII.12) identified in the Museum's **World War II Gallery**:

- o Major theaters of World War II included Asia and the Pacific Islands.
- o Aggression by totalitarian powers
- o Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor
- o Atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki
- o Franklin D. Roosevelt
- o General Douglas MacArthur
- o Hideki Tojo
- o Emperor Hirohito
- o U.S. occupation of Japan

## WHII.13: The student will demonstrate knowledge of major events and outcomes of the Cold War.

Following a visit to the Museum, students will be able to answer these **SOL Essential Questions:** 

- What events led to the Cold War?
- o How did the Cold War influence conflicts in Eastern Asia after World War II?
- What was the policy of containment?

# **SOL Essential Understandings & Essential Knowledge** (WHII.12, 13) identified in the Museum's **Korean War Gallery** and **Vietnam War Gallery**:

- o Competition between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. laid the foundation for the Cold War.
- o The Cold War influenced conflicts around the world.
- o The presence of nuclear weapons influenced patterns of conflict an cooperation since 1945.
- o Harry S. Truman
- o Joseph Stalin
- o Division of Europe–Iron Curtain
- Establishment of the United Nations
- o Containment: policy for preventing the spread of communism
- Mao Zedong
- o Korean conflict (participation by Communist China)
- o Vietnam War
  - Leadership of Ho Chi Minh
  - Vietnam as divided nation
  - Influence of containment
  - Vietnam as a reunited communist country