

## Focus on the Atomic Bomb

Read each question below. As you watch the slide show and do the reading, make *notes* for your answers in the space provided. Type and print your *final* answer for each question.

1. Paragraph 1: In August of 1945 President Truman ordered atomic bombs to be used against Japan. Based on what you have seen and read, do you think he made the correct decision? **Explain** your answer.

Paragraph 2: What arguments would be made by people who disagree with your conclusion in paragraph 1? **Explain**.

2. Are there any situations today you can think of in which you feel the use of nuclear weapons would be justifiable? If so, explain when and why. If not, explain why not.
3. In the last half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century a new type of nuclear weapon was developed. It was called the *neutron* bomb. There is very little explosion with this type of weapon, but it gives off a great deal of radiation. In other words, it kills people but does not destroy property. Do you think this is better or worse than "conventional" nuclear weapons? Explain!