***For Declaration of War* Speech**

**Analysis Questions**

**Answer the following questions on your own sheet of paper.**

1. **What was the main purpose(s) of Roosevelt’s speech, “For a Declaration of War?”**
2. **What if FDR had started the speech by simply noting that Japan attacked naval and air forces? (If FDR had started his speech differently…)**
3. **What is the purpose of the sequence of paragraphs (3-5) that begin with “The United States was at peace with that nation” and ends with “expressions of hope for continued peace”?**
4. **What tone do the above excerpts (paragraphs 3-5) have? What does FDR want the audience to know, understand, and believe?**
5. **What is the purpose of the repetition of the words “Last night Japanese forces…”?**
6. **Why does FDR assert that “The people of the United States have already formed their opinions” when in actuality, this address may be the first time many Americans have heard about Japanese attacks? Consider the purpose of FDR’s speech and what he wants and needs to achieve with this speech.**
7. **Write two examples of propaganda from the speech.**