

History 441
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WRITING ASSIGNMENT #2

Drawing on material from Chapter 4 in Bell's book and what we discussed in class on Thursday to support your answer, consider the following question:

Despite the risks involved, why did the Japanese decide to attack Pearl Harbor?

In answering, try to be as thorough as possible. Note the economic, strategic, political, and ideological motivations for such a decision. Be sure to state your thesis clearly in the first paragraph of your response. Avoid simply saying, "Japan attacked Pearl Harbor for many reasons."

Please type your response and hand in a hard copy to me in class on Tuesday. Appropriate length is no less than two pages and no more than three.