Video Discussion Questions

Directions: Watch the Behind the Scenes video “Behind the Wire Fence.” Then answer the questions below.

1. Author Kristin Lewis calls the imprisonment of Japanese Americans “a dark chapter in American history.” Which details in the first section of the video (0:10 to 1:32) support her statement?

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2. What happened to Japanese Americans as a result of the attack on Pearl Harbor?

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3. How does the section of the video about internment camps (3:13 to 3:46) help you understand what life was like there? Consider the narration, visuals, and music.

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4. Based on the video, what is fact-checking? Why might it be “an important step in an article’s journey,” as Lewis says?

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