

## WWII - Japanese Internment Camps

Watch the Videos on Japanese Internment in WWII

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6mr97qyKA2s>) and George Takei's interview about his experiences in a Japanese Internment Camp (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vpn3k8mxjqY>)

1. What caused FDR to sign Executive Order 9066?
2. What did Executive Order 9066 do?
3. What happened to the homes and belongings of the Japanese-Americans being relocated?
4. What kinds of conditions did the Japanese-Americans endure during the internment process?
5. Who built many of the buildings in the camps that housed the internees?
6. Who was Fred Korematsu? What did he do wrong at the time?
7. What did Fred Korematsu do in response to the treatment of the Japanese-Americans?
8. How did the Supreme Court rule in the case? On what basis did they reach their decision?
9. What was the view of Justice Hugo Black? Why did he think this way?
10. What was Justice Murphy's point of view?
11. What does the American government do ultimately to try to make it up to survivors?
12. Where did George Takei's family get sent?
13. Takei shares a comment that his father made about a democracy being both as strong and as weak as the people who are a part of it. What do you think of this comment? Agree/Disagree – Explain.
14. Earl Warren was the Attorney General of California at the time, and he later became one of the most liberal Supreme Court Justices in modern American history. Takei comments that it illustrates the hysteria of the time. What do you think he means by that?
15. What was Takei told at the time? If you were a parent in that situation, what would you do?
16. What surprises you the most about Takei's experiences as a child in an internment camp?
17. What were the problems they faced when trying to re-integrate back into normal life?

**Short Answer** - Do you believe an event such as the Japanese Internment could happen again in the United States we live in today? *Write a minimum 7 sentences explaining your answer. Support your answer with detail!*