

# *Modern Japan*



# *What We Will Learn Today:*

1. What did the United States do to Japan after WWII?
2. How did Japan become an economic success?
3. What is a favorable balance of trade and interdependence?





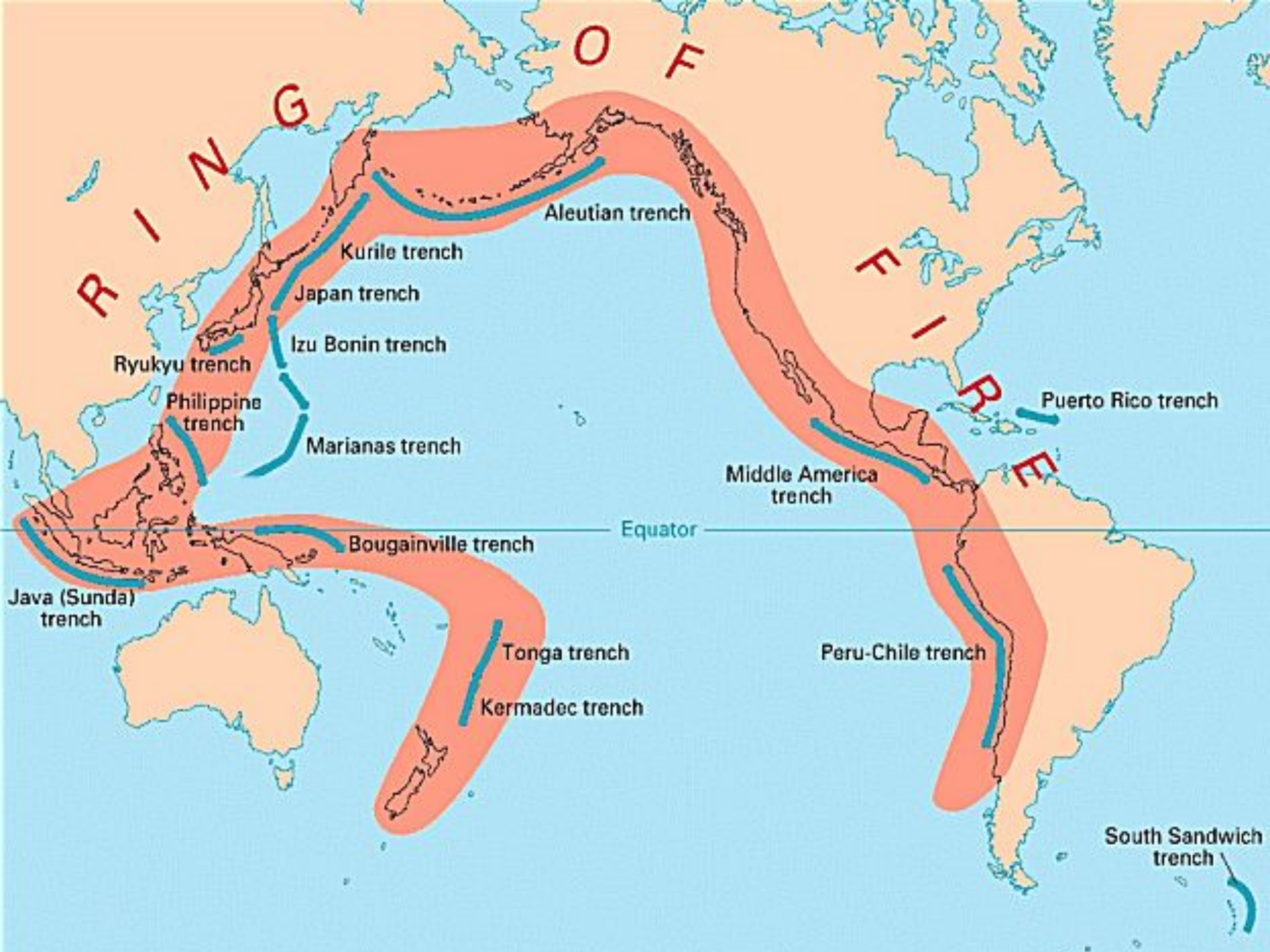
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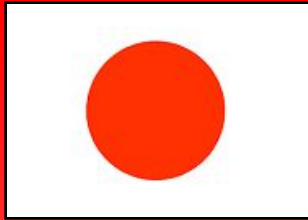


- Japan is an archipelago located on the “ring of fire”
- Shinto originated in Japan
- Japan was a feudal society

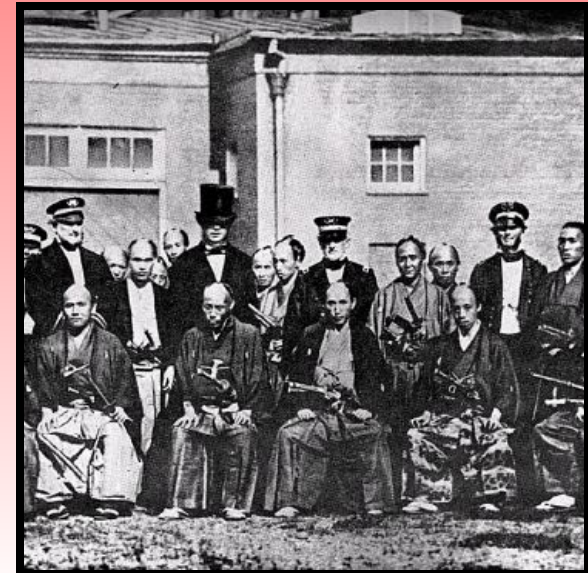
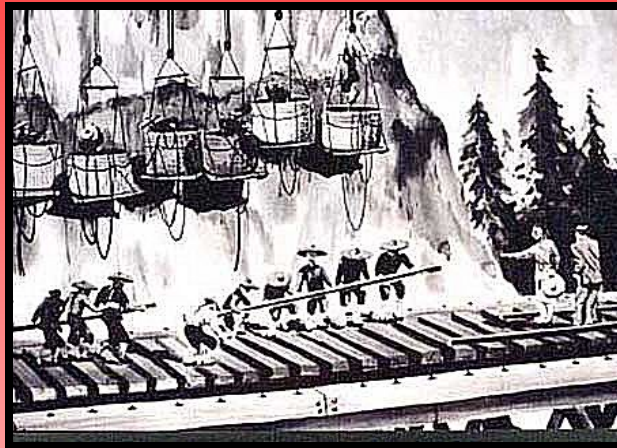




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- Commodore Perry opened Japan
- Meiji Restoration

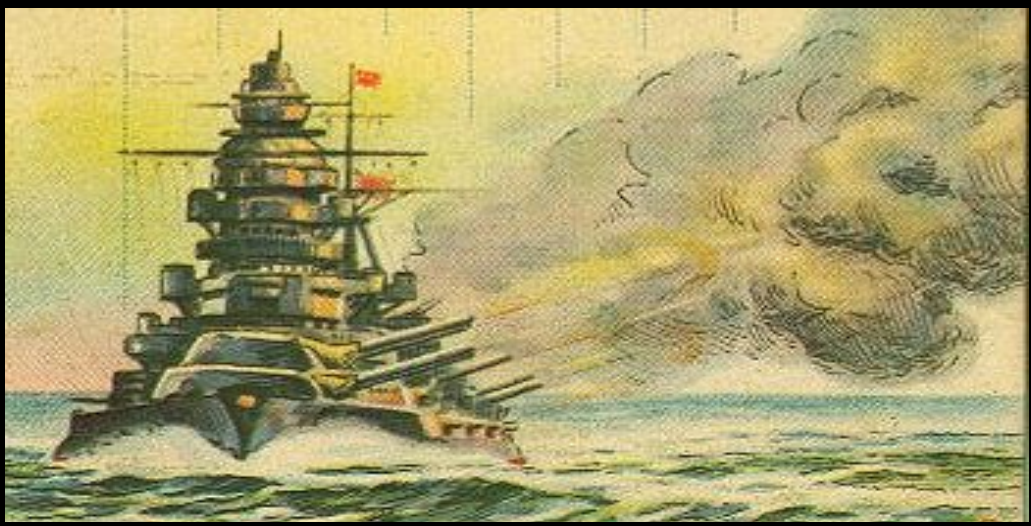




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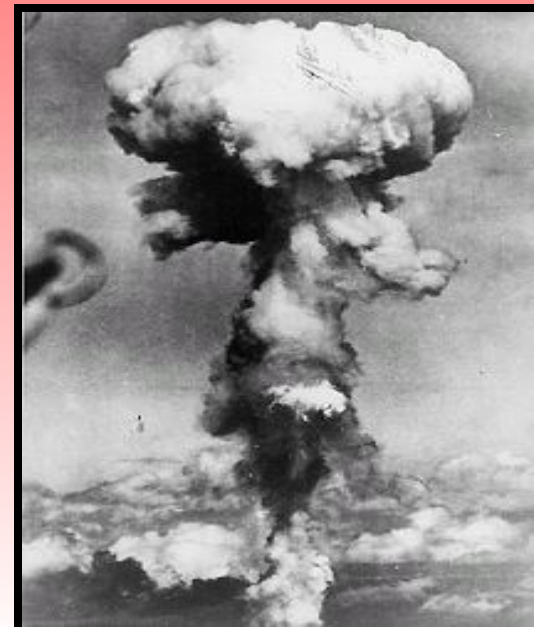
• Imperialist victories: Russia & China



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- Pearl Harbor □ WWII □ atomic bombs





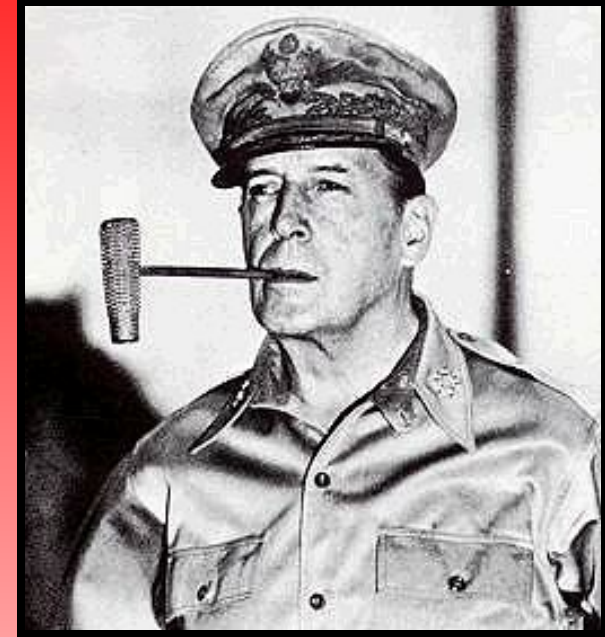


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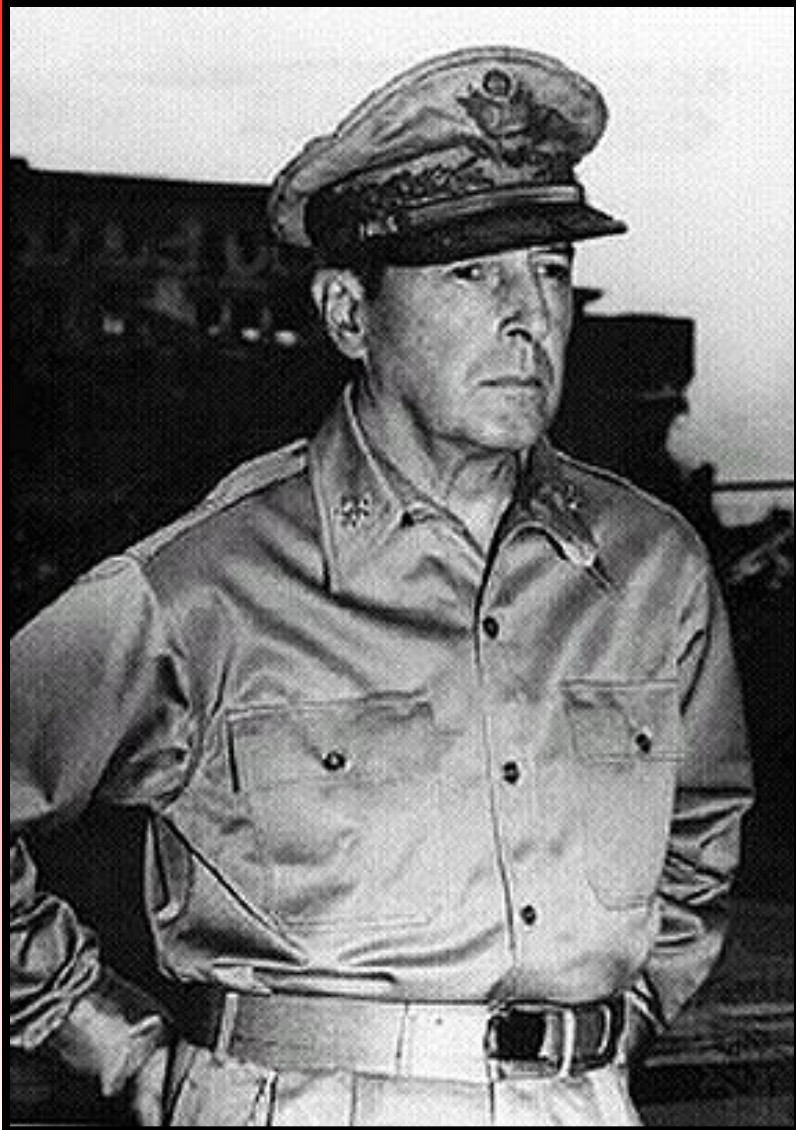
After WWII Japan lost her overseas empire and was occupied by US forces. General MacArthur led the military government that ruled Japan and wrote a new constitution which brought the following great changes:



- A constitutional monarchy made the emperor merely a figurehead.
- A democratic government was established with an elected parliament.



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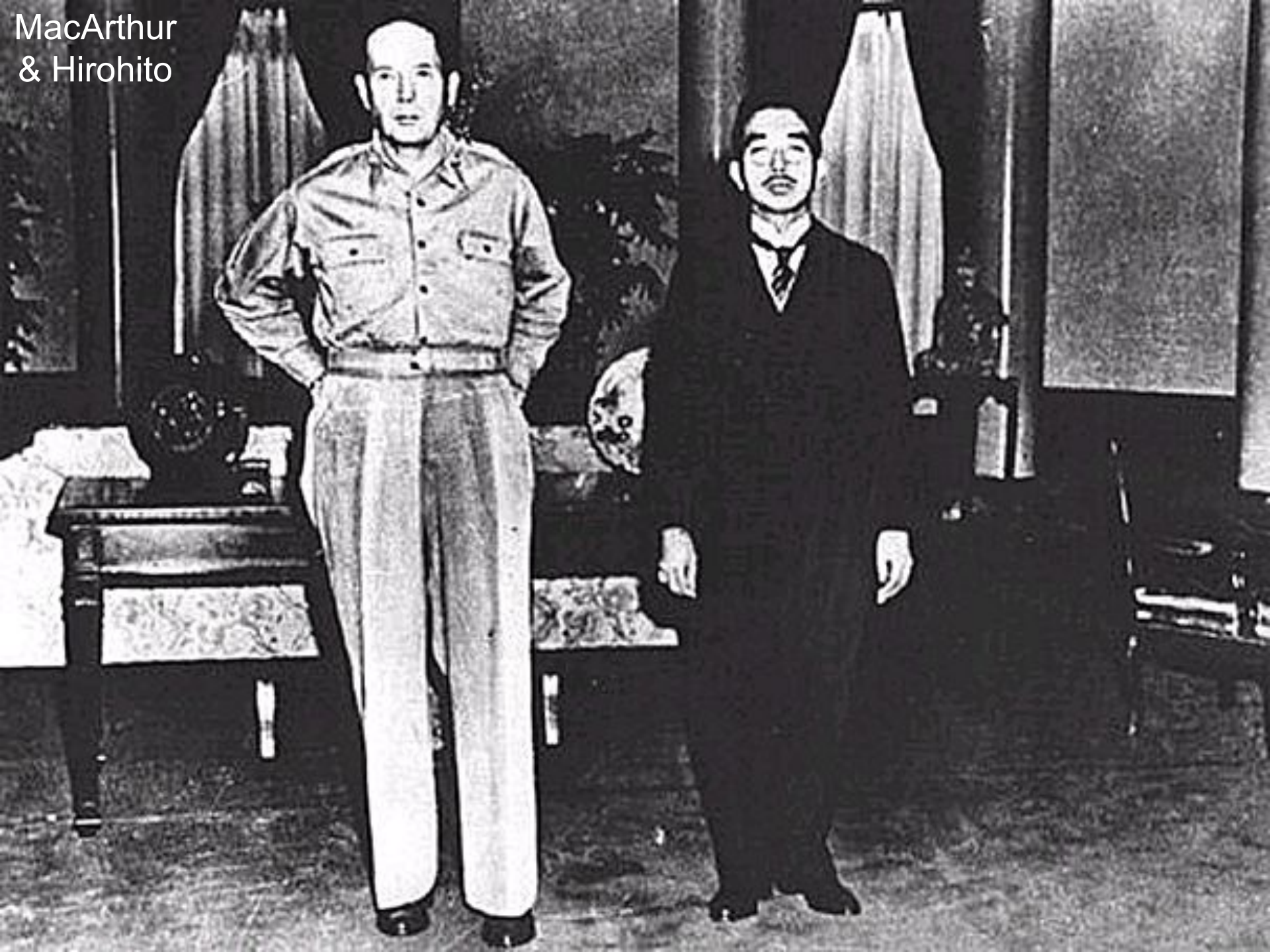


- Japan's military was greatly reduced so they could never use war as a political weapon again.



- Basic human rights were guaranteed such as freedom of the press and assembly, and women were given the right to vote.

MacArthur  
& Hirohito





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Along with a constitution and democracy, the US also brought the following economic reforms:

- Ziabatsu, or powerful family-run businesses that controlled the economy were weakened.
- Land reform divided large estates among tenant farmers.
- Japanese workers were given the right to form unions.

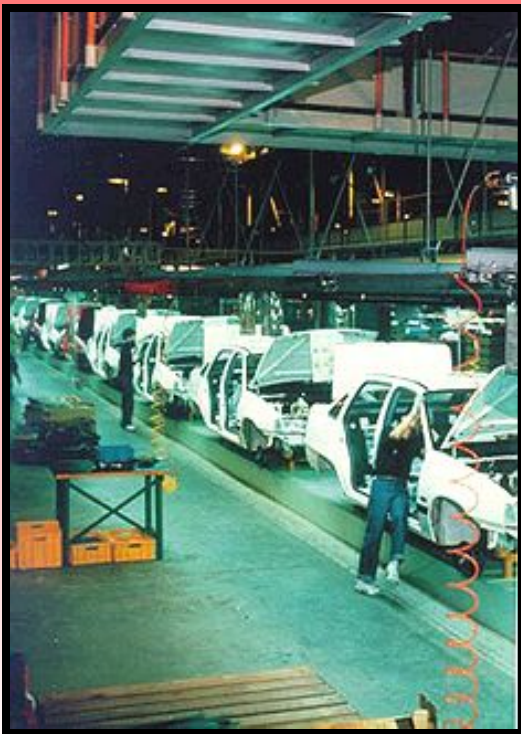




# Economic Success



After WWII Japan's economy quickly recovered and the value of Japanese goods and services, or gross domestic product (GDP), rose dramatically. Japan has a favorable balance of trade which means it exports more goods (such as cars, cameras, TVs, and electronics) than it imports.



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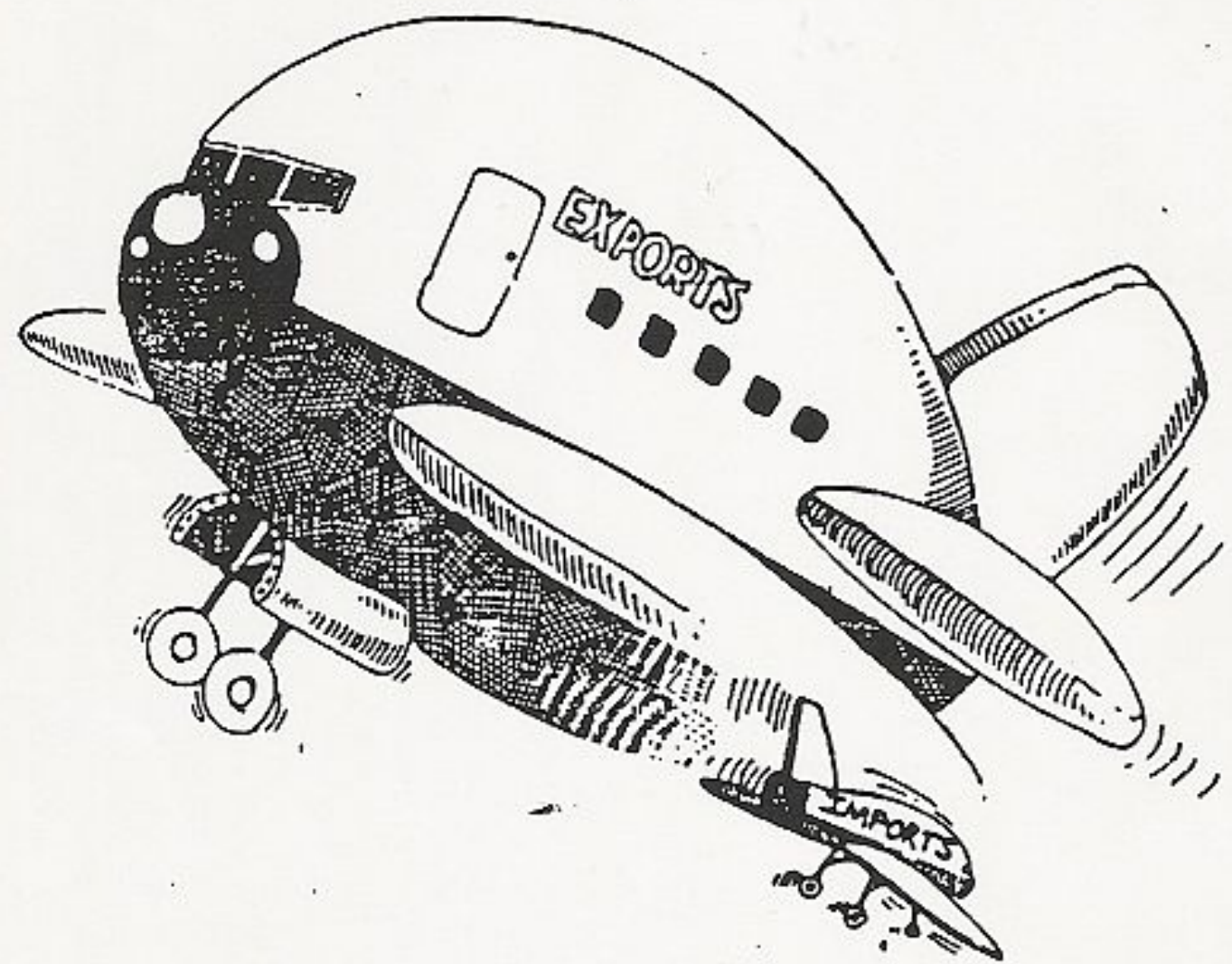


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Japan's great economic success after WWII is attributed to the following factors:

- Japan adapted the latest western technology to its industries.
- Japan has a well educated and highly skilled work force.





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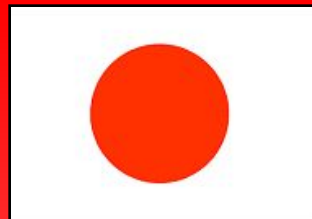


- Students and businessmen have a samurai work ethic.
- With low military spending, the government funds the economy.

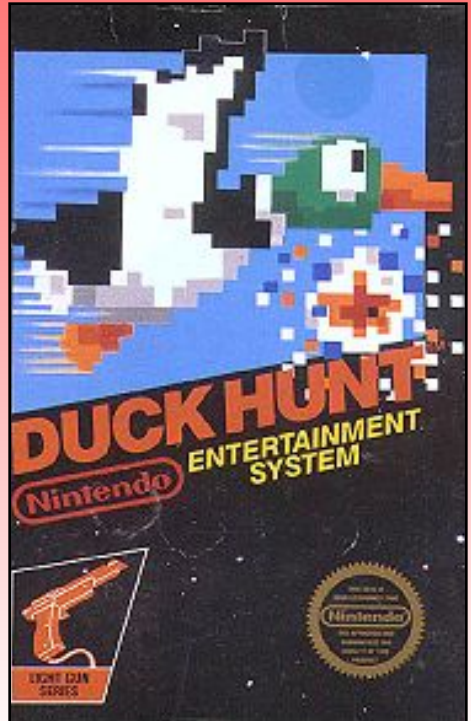
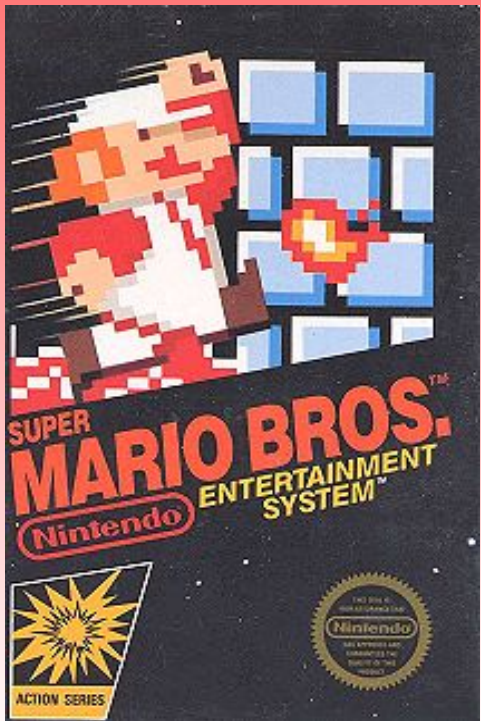




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- High import tariffs and regulations limit foreign competition.
- Japanese savings gave banks capital to invest in industry.





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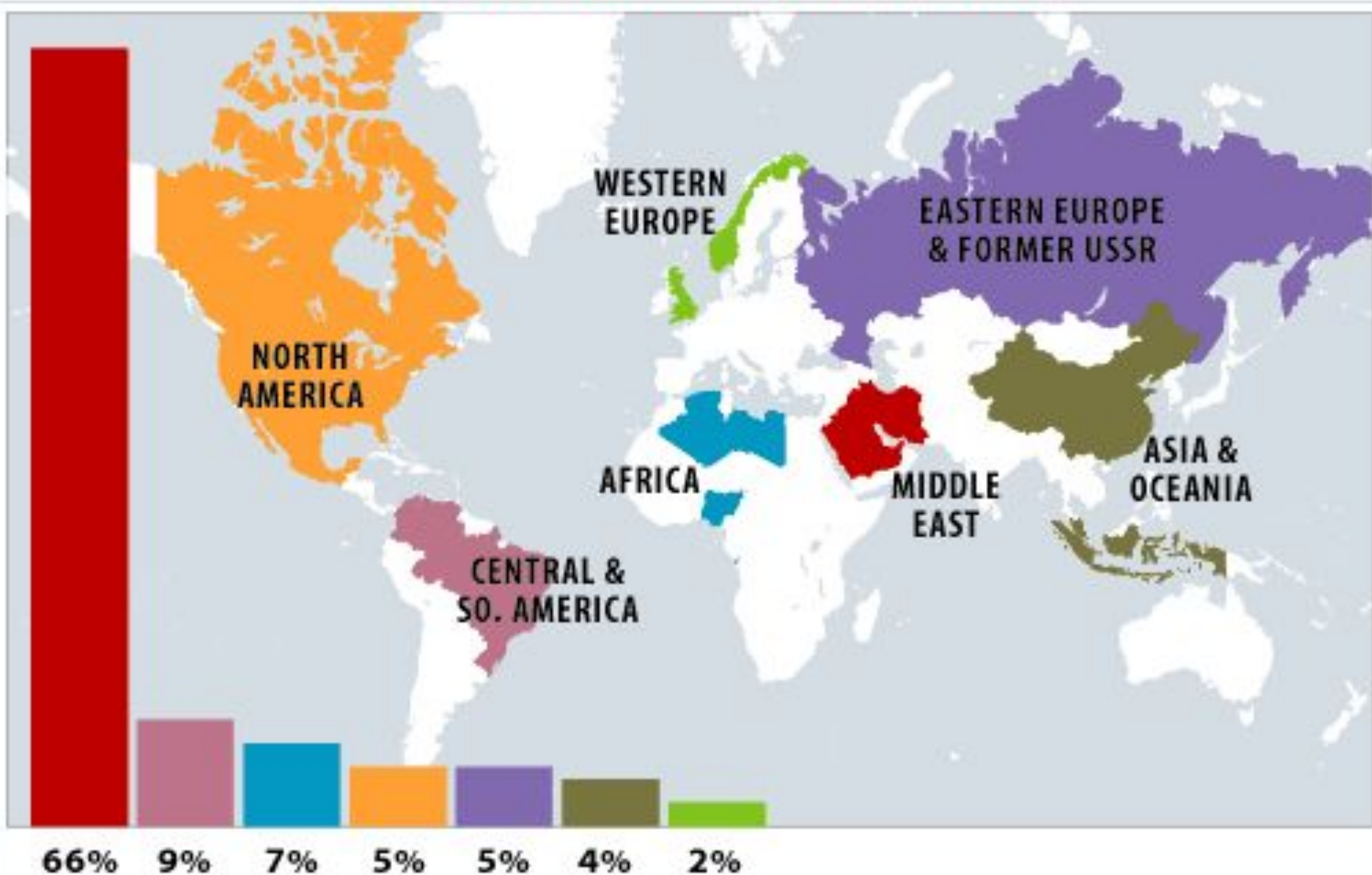


As a small archipelago nation Japan depends on trade because it lacks natural resources such as oil and iron. Interdependence – the reliance on goods, resources, and knowledge from other parts of the world.

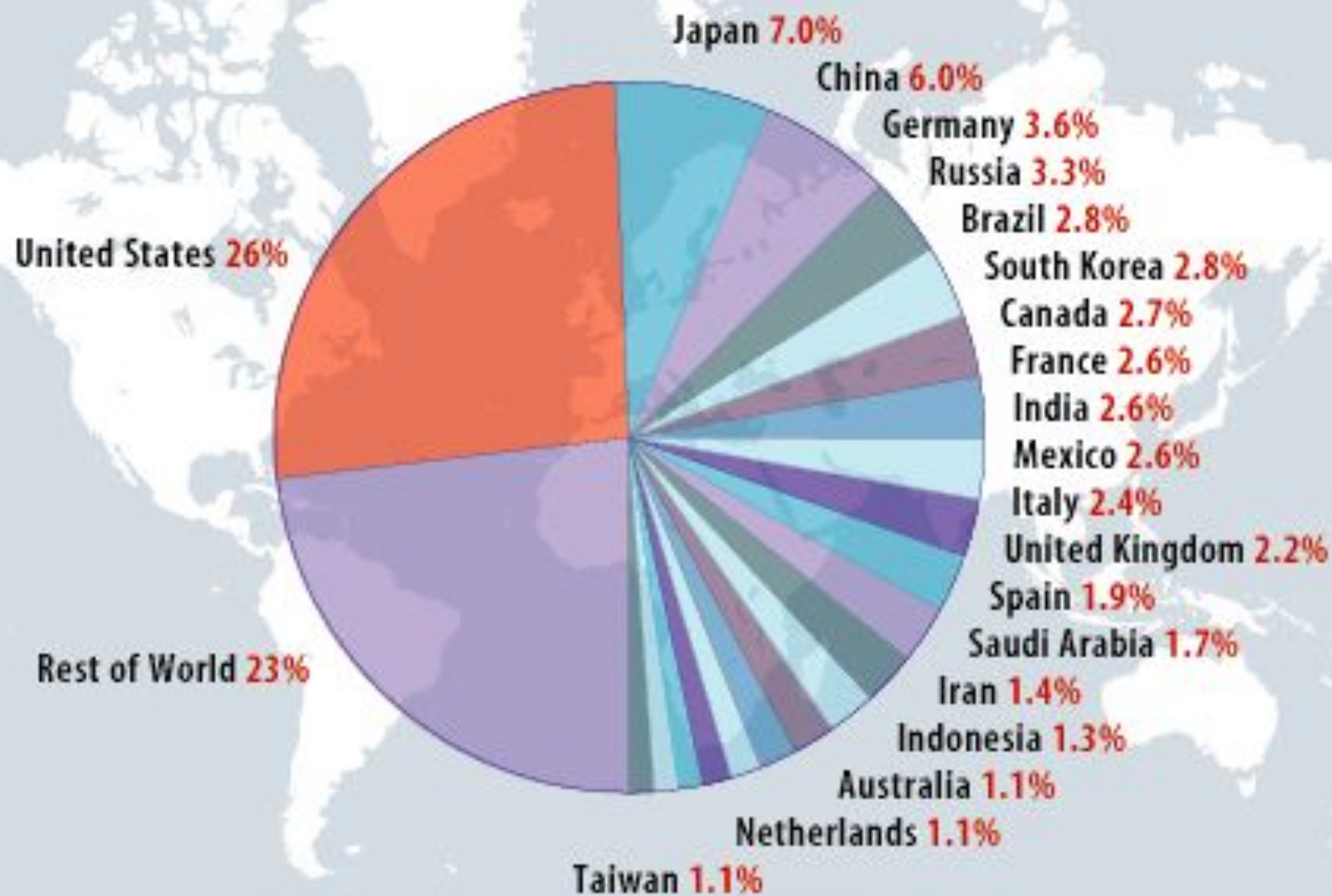




## Where Are the World's Oil Reserves?



## Who Consumes the Most Oil?





**"DON'T WORRY, WE'RE STILL GOING UP..."**