Eleanor Roosevelt Study Guide



Vocabulary to know:

vocabulary	definition
cooperation	working together with others
authority	the right to lead and make
	decisions
respect for and acceptance of authority	obeying rules made by the
	government, a parent, or a
	guardian
campaign	time in which those running for
	office try to convince people to
	vote for them
governor	a person elected head of state in
	the United States
issues	subjects that voters make choices
	about
human rights	the rights, or freedoms, that all
	humans deserve to have
First Lady	the wife of the President of the
	United States
tolerance	respecting the beliefs and
	practices of others
immigrant	a person who comes into a
	country from another country to
	live

Facts to know:

1. One of Eleanor's most important contributions was helping start the United Nations, an organization to keep peace among nations.

2. As First Lady, Eleanor said she would just be "plain, ordinary Mrs. Roosevelt." This was one of her worries about her new job as First Lady.

3. Eleanor grew up in a wealthy family, but she also grew up helping others.

4. Cooperation, tolerance, and respect for and acceptance of authority were three main character traits displayed by Eleanor Roosevelt.

5. Eleanor cooperated with her husband, Franklin Roosevelt and others on many projects.

6. Eleanor showed tolerance when she worked for an agreement on the Declaration of Human Rights. This is also why she received more than 300,000 letters from people around the country asking for her help.

7. Eleanor showed respect for and acceptance of authority by obeying her grandmother.

8. Eleanor said that to be brave, "You must do the thing you think you cannot do." She followed her own words to overcome her shyness.

9. Eleanor built a house called Val-Kill in Hyde Park, New York and used it for a meeting place for people who were working on projects she cared about.

10. People called her "Eleanor Everywhere" because no one knew where she would show up next meeting men and women fighting for the U.S. during World War II.

11. Eleanor led many people from many countries in writing the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

12. Eleanor was known as the "First Lady of the World" because she worked for world peace. One of her most important contributions was helping start an organization to keep peace among nations. It was called the United Nations.