## **Rationing Activity:**

<u>Directions:</u> Watch the following Disney video titled "Out of the Frying Pan into the Firing Line".



Scan the QR code to watch the video.



## **Rationing During World War II:**

When the United States entered into World War II, rationing began. This was because there was a smaller amount of certain foods and resources because factories needed to make items for the war rather than for the average American. New items such as cars, washing machines, refrigerators, and radios were no longer available. Rationing was used as a way to limit what people could buy so that Americans did not run out of food or resources.

Ration books became part of daily life for Americans. If a person was going to the grocery store they had to budget not only their money but their ration stamps that gave them access to certain foods and resources. The ration books contained stamps that had a number value, known as points. They were separated into four colors that represented different kind of purchases such as meat or canned goods etc. Rationing encouraged people to reuse, reduce, and recycle any materials in their homes that could be saved and used for the war effort.







## **Make your own Rationing Poster:**

**Directions**: Use your knowledge about rationing to create a poster that the government could have distributed to the people of the United States to support rationing.

You should include the following:

- 1. An explanation of what rationing is and how it will work and why we need it.
- 2. How will you make people feel safe and happy about rationing in the times ahead?
- 3. What photographs or images will you use to grab a person's attention and make them listen?

Include your design below:	