

World War II: Study Guide

Label each blank with the country the arrow is pointing towards:



Match the name with the country of leadership.

___ 1.	Adolf Hitler	—————	A. France
___ 2.	Benito Mussolini	—————	B. Germany
___ 3.	Charles de Gaulle	—————	C. Great Britain
___ 4.	FDR / President Roosevelt	—————	D. Italy
___ 5.	Hideki Tojo	—————	E. Japan
___ 6.	Josef Stalin	—————	F. United States
___ 7.	Winston Churchill	—————	G. USSR

Causes of WWII

1. Prior to WWII, most countries of the world were suffering from an economic Depression.
2. What country thought that the Treaty of Versailles? Germany
3. What were three reasons why this country thought the Treaty of Versailles was unfair?
 - a. They lost their military
 - b. They were blamed for WWI
 - c. They had to pay reparations to countries they damaged
4. Adolf Hitler became the dictator of Germany in 1933.
5. At first, European countries like Great Britain and France followed a policy of appeasement when it came to Hitler's control over Germany. What does the word appeasement mean?
They stayed out of Hitler's way and let him do what he wanted
6. Germany invaded which country in 1939, causing Great Britain and France to quickly declare war?
Poland
7. Name the three countries who were apart of the Axis Powers?
 - a. Japan
 - b. Italy
 - c. Germany

America becomes involved in WWII

8. On December 7th, 1941, the United States naval base of Pearl Harbor was attacked by the empire of Japan. After this attack President Franklin D. Roosevelt asked that Congress official declare war.
9. Name the four countries who were apart of the Allied Powers?
 - a. United States
 - b. Britain
 - c. France
 - d. USSR

Pearl Harbor

10. Why did some Americans not want to become involved in the war at first? _____
They remembered the horrors of WWI and did not want to suffer again

Women

11. List three jobs that women had during WWII.
 - a. mechanics
 - b. pilots
 - c. factory workers
 - d. nurses
12. Rosie the Riveter was not a real woman. She was a symbol. What did she symbolize, or stand for?
_____ Women could do what men could do, women should “do their part” _____
13. What were two ways that Americans “Did Their Part” for the war?
 - a. Victory gardens, war bonds, rationing, scrap drives

African Americans and Japanese Americans

14. Give two ways African Americans contributed to the war effort.
 - a. Tuskegee Airmen
 - b. Wartime jobs
15. Just like the rest of America at this time, the military was ___segregated___ a word that means separated by race.
16. Why did many Americans believe all Japanese people were enemies? **Because Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, and Americans were afraid Japanese Americans would not defend America.**
17. Name at least four aspects of relocation (internment) camps that you think were unfair or wrong.
 - a. No right to a trial
 - b. Loss of money and possessions
 - c. Kept behind barbed wire
 - d. No evidence they were disloyal or a danger to America

Battles and Strategies

Describe the following major battles from World War II:

18. Battle of Britain
Battle of Britain was when continuous bombings fell from Germany’s airplanes. It was also the first time Hitler’s plan of a Europe invasion was stopped.
19. Operation Torch
Operation Torch was when Allies landed in North Africa to free the Mediterranean Sea from German control, and to protect oil fields in the mid-east (also to take pressure off of the USSR troops)
20. Invasion of Normandy
The invasion of Normandy is also known as D-Day (June 6, 1944). Second front against the Germans in Western Europe provided relief for USSR troops, which led to Axis Powers surrendering.
21. What was the name of the atomic bomb program in America? ___The Manhattan Project___
22. Where were two bombs dropped in Japan? _____Hiroshima and Nagasaki_____

Technology

23. List at least 4 examples of new technology from World War II.

- a. Penicillin
- b. Bombers
- c. Fighter Planes
- d. Machine Guns
- e. Tanks
- f. Radar

Effects of World War II

24. After WWII, Germany was divided into four zones controlled by: **USSR, France, Britain, US**

25. “West Germany” was controlled by a democratic government.

26. “East Germany” was controlled by a communist government.

27. The United States wanted to prevent the spread of communism across the world.