**World War II: 1939-1945**

**Hitler Prepared for War**

On April 28, 1939, Hitler announced his newest plan which was?

How did Britain and France respond?

Why was Stalin not eager to ally the Soviet Union with the west?

With whom does Stalin ally himself?

In August 1939, Germany and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ announced a ten-year \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, pledging \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

What part of the pact was kept secret?

Why was the alliance between the Soviets and Nazis so shocking to the rest of the world?

What was the advantage for Hitler?

How did Hitler manufacture a cause to invade Poland?

**Germany INVADED Poland**

In a matter of days, the Poles lost their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Describe Blitzkrieg:

How did Britain and France respond?

Describe the scene in Europe by the end of September 1939.

Early on in the war, newspapers called it a “ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ war.”

Why did Hitler attack Denmark and Norway before France?

Define Luftwaffe:

**German Troops Blitzed the West**

In May 1940, Chamberlain was forced to resign and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was his successor as British Prime minister.

Identify the Maginot Line. (What & Where)

Was it effective? Why/Why not?

How did Hitler invade France?

From May 28-June 4, 1940, how did the British rescue the trapped soldiers in Dunkirk?

**France FELL to the Nazis**

**\_**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was asked by the French Government to be Prime Minister.

Where did the French surrender to Hitler? Significance?

What were the terms of the surrender?

**Germany Attacked Britain**

What was Operation SeaLion? Did it work?

Britain’s 2 secrets:

1.

2.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ began July 1940 and ended…

**America Aided the Allies**

Describe the Lend-Lease Act of March 1941. Who did it help? How did it help the US?

**Hitler Invaded the USSR**

What was Hitler’s first step to invade the USSR?

List the countries Hitler attacked.

June 22, 1941, Hitler invades USSR using this strategy?

What pact did Hitler break?

Compare Hitler’s experience invading the USSR to that of Napoleon’s in 1912.

**Japan Threatened American Interests in Asia**

What was the pressure that President Roosevelt put on Japan? Why?

How did Japan respond?

Who were Japan’s allies?

In July 1941, President Roosevelt placed an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on Japan.

Define EMBARGO.

What happens December 7, 1941?

Allied Powers Axis Powers

1. 1.
2. 2.
3. 3.
4. \_

**Allied Forces Trapped the Desert FOX**

In October 1942, British and American forces began their first major campaign together in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What were the stakes?

Who was known as the Desert Fox? Why?

Who was the British General who won the Battle of Alamein?

**Soviets Took the Offensive**

The Battle of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ began in August of 1942.

What was the outcome?

What was Hitler refusing to admit?

**Fascist Rule Crumbled in Italy**

Stunned by the defeat of the Italian army to the Allies in Sicily, how did the Italian people react?

**Allies Invaded France**

Describe the Allies plan to invade France.

What was the code name for this invasion? On what date did it take place?

On what date did the Allies liberate Paris?

**The German Reich Collapsed**

What did Hitler face by the fall of 1944?

Which Allied Power invaded Berlin?

How does Hitler react?

Who dies on April 12, 1945?

Who is his successor?

On May 2, 1945, Berlin finally surrenders.

On May 7, 1945, the war in Europe is over. (V-E Day)

**A Final Horror Ended in the Pacific**

A July 1945, the Allies had gotten a strong hold on Japan. On July 26, 1945, President Truman told the Japanese to surrender or …..

The Japanese did not respond so…

What happens on August 6th?

They still do not surrender.

What happens on August 9th?

When did Japan formally surrender?