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## Section 4

GUIDED READING *Aggressors on the March*

**A. Drawing Conclusions** As you read this section, take notes to answer the questions based on the time line.

1931	Japan invades Manchuria.	→	1. Why did the Japanese invade Manchuria?
			2. Why did Britain and France take no action against Italian aggression?
1935	Mussolini invades Ethiopia.	↗	3. Why did isolationists want these laws passed?
	U.S. Congress passes first of three Neutrality Acts.	→	
1936	German troops move into the Rhineland.	→	4. What were some effects of appeasing Hitler after his invasion of the Rhineland?
			5. What were the immediate results of this invasion?
1937	Japan invades China.	→	
	Hitler plans to absorb Austria and Czechoslovakia into the Third Reich.	→	6. Why was the Munich Conference unsuccessful?
1938	Munich Conference is held.	↗	7. How did other countries help Franco's Nationalist forces bring about the collapse of Republican resistance?
1939	Franco becomes Spanish dictator.	↗	8. Why did Stalin sign an agreement with fascist Germany, once a bitter enemy?
	Germany and Russia sign a nonaggression pact.	→	

**B. Recognizing Facts and Details** On the back of this paper, explain how each of the following contributed to the march of aggression:

appeasement

Axis Powers

isolationism

Third Reich