

# World War II

## Outcome: The European Theater



### 1. Aggression in Europe

a. Italy invaded \_\_\_\_\_ and took control in 1935

b. Spain's Civil War was won by the \_\_\_\_\_ in 1936

c. Germany

- i. 1936: Hitler had \_\_\_\_\_ and sent troops to the \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. 1938: Hitler annexed \_\_\_\_\_ & demanded the \_\_\_\_\_ (W. Czech)
- iii. 1938: \_\_\_\_\_ Conference (Germany, Italy, Britain, & France)
  1. **Goal:** To stop further \_\_\_\_\_ in Europe
  2. **Result:** The Munich Pact gave Hitler the Sudetenland if he promised to end \_\_\_\_\_
  3. **Policy:** " \_\_\_\_\_ "
- iv. March 1939: Germany took rest of \_\_\_\_\_ (appeasement failed)
- v. \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ pledged war if aggression continued
- vi. 1939: Hitler & Stalin signed a " \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Pact"



d. United States' reaction to foreign aggression

- i. 1935: passed \_\_\_\_\_ Act – no arms to \_\_\_\_\_ nations
- ii. 1939: " \_\_\_\_\_ -n- \_\_\_\_\_ " policy (purpose to aid the Allies)

### 2. War in Europe (Early Period)

a. Sept. 1, 1939: \_\_\_\_\_ with blitzkrieg attack (WWII begins)

- i. France & Great Britain \_\_\_\_\_ the next day
- ii. The \_\_\_\_\_ intensifies

b. " \_\_\_\_\_ War" Period (" \_\_\_\_\_ ") ---> Sept 1939-April 1940

c. April, 1940: Germany resumed " \_\_\_\_\_ " attacks

- i. \_\_\_\_\_ fell quickly ---> Denmark, Netherlands, Belgium, Norway
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ fell to Hitler in late June \_\_\_\_\_

d. Summer/Fall, '40: Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ (German \_\_\_\_\_ vs. RAF)

e. June, 1941: Hitler double crossed Stalin and \_\_\_\_\_ through Poland

- i. Big Mistake! Stalin used \_\_\_\_\_ military tactic
- ii. Harsh \_\_\_\_\_ and lack of useable supplies resulted in over \_\_\_\_\_ million Nazi losses

### 3. Diplomacy was Failing

a. \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ when dealing with Hitler

b. Sept 1940: Germany, Italy, and Japan signed the \_\_\_\_\_ Pact (Axis Powers)

c. U.S. Neutrality? Biased?

- i. 1940: WWI \_\_\_\_\_ given for \_\_\_\_\_ deal with Great Britain
- ii. 1941: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Act --> U.S. became the " \_\_\_\_\_ of Democracy"
- iii. 1941: FDR and W. Churchill (Britain) agreed to the \_\_\_\_\_ Charter

### 4. Last Events to U.S. Entry

a. 1941: U.S. attempted to stop Japan's invasion of China (in Civil War)

- i. Sent \_\_\_\_\_ (warning)
- ii. Issued a scrap metal and \_\_\_\_\_



**b. By Aug. 1941: \_\_\_\_\_ fell to Japan**

- i. U.S. began a full \_\_\_\_\_ against Japan
- ii. Japan responded by:
  - 1. Sending a \_\_\_\_\_ to Washington D.C.
  - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ for an \_\_\_\_\_ on the U.S. (decoded message)



**5. December \_\_\_\_\_<sup>th</sup>, \_\_\_\_\_: Japanese Attack on Pearl Harbor**

- a. U.S. Pacific Fleet was based at Pearl Harbor in \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Attack was meant to cripple \_\_\_\_\_ so couldn't interfere with Japan
- c. Six aircraft carriers and 353 Japanese planes attacked in \_\_\_\_\_
- d. 2,403 died (1,177 killed on the U.S.S. Arizona)
- e. U.S. declared war on Japan the next day "...Date that will live in \_\_\_\_\_..."
- f. \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ declared war on the U.S. on Dec 8, 1941 (Tripartite Pact)
- g. The U.S. was officially in the \_\_\_\_\_! (\_\_\_\_\_ was over)



**6. Key Nations at War**

- a. **Allies:** \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- b. **Axis:** \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**7. European Theater**

- a. Name given to the \_\_\_\_\_ that took place in \_\_\_\_\_
- b. 1942: \_\_\_\_\_ stood alone against Axis
- c. Gen. Dwight Eisenhower = \_\_\_\_\_ of the European Theater
- d. Allies first invaded through \_\_\_\_\_ and up into \_\_\_\_\_
- e. \_\_\_\_\_ was overthrown and killed



- f. **Eastern Front:** \_\_\_\_\_
  - i. The Nazis were fighting the \_\_\_\_\_ in Stalingrad (Aug 1942-Feb 1943)
  - ii. One of the \_\_\_\_\_ in the history of warfare
  - iii. Nazis are defeated; \_\_\_\_\_ of the war for the Allies

**g. Western Front: \_\_\_\_\_**

- i. General Eisenhower planned D-Day for \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ across English Channel into Normandy, France
- iii. \_\_\_\_\_ in history
- iv. Allies \_\_\_\_\_ allowed them to push further into \_\_\_\_\_



**h. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_**

- i. Hitler's last major \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. Allies were pushing from the \_\_\_\_\_ (from France), \_\_\_\_\_ through Italy, and from the \_\_\_\_\_ (Soviets)
- iii. Germany was \_\_\_\_\_

**8. German Surrender**

- a. Hitler \_\_\_\_\_ before he could be captured
- b. Germany officially \_\_\_\_\_ on May 7, 1945; following day is known as \_\_\_\_\_ Day
- c. Now the Allies had to figure out how to \_\_\_\_\_

