

World War II: The Road to War



Look and listen for the answers to the question below as you view this video presentation.

1. Who became the dictator of the Soviet Union in the 1930's?
2. What did Benito Mussolini promise the Italian people?
3. Draw lines to connect each political group with the country it controlled.

Communists
Fascists
Nazis

Germany
USSR (Soviet Union)
Italy

4. Who became the dictator of Germany?
5. Who held the "true power" in Japan in the 1930's
6. What three nations formed the Axis Powers?
7. What name was given to the policy of giving in to Hitler's demands to avoid war?
8. During the 1920's and 1930's the U.S. followed a policy of isolationism. What does this mean?
9. What event do historians use to mark the beginning of World War II?
10. Who became the leader of Great Britain in the early days of World War II?

11. What new technology helped the British resist a German invasion?
12. What plan allowed the U.S. to provide weapons and supplies to Great Britain?
13. Why did Russia eventually join the fight against Nazi Germany?
14. What name was given to the countries fighting against the Axis Powers?
15. What event ultimately led to direct U.S. involvement in World War II?

Video Quiz: write TRUE or FALSE for each question.

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1. The Treaty of Versailles contributed to unrest throughout Europe.
2. Benito Mussolini used collectivization to take over farmlands in the Soviet Union.
3. Hitler believed the welfare of his country was more important than personal freedoms.
4. In the Holocaust, the Nazis murdered millions of Jews and others.
5. China's invasion of Manchuria was its first step toward dominating Japan.
6. The German military strategy *Kristallnacht* exploited new advances in tanks, artillery, and air power.
7. After months of fighting in the Battle of Britain, Winston Churchill asked for the United States' assistance, and the U.S. agreed to offer supplies.
8. Ignoring their nonaggression pact, Hitler invaded the Soviet Union.
9. The Munich Agreement brought together twenty-six countries, collectively known as the Allied Powers.
10. As they were holding peace talks with the United States, Japan was secretly planning an attack on Pearl Harbor.

**"Relax, Sam, I assure you
the express turns
off right here!"**



By Dr. Seuss