

BATTLES AND EVENTS OF WORLD WAR 2

Adolf Hitler

- Named _____ of Germany in 1933
- Creates a _____ government
- Demands _____ or living space for German people

Lebensraum

- Annexes _____ in 1938
- Next occupies the _____ and the following year all of Czechoslovakia

Nazi-Soviet Pact

- _____
- Germany signs _____ pact with the Soviet Union
- Meant to keep _____ from entering a _____
- Agree to split _____ among themselves

German Invasion of Poland

- _____
- German _____ overruns _____
- Quick _____ victory
- _____ declare war on Germany

France's Maginot Line

- Massive _____ built along France's border with Germany after WWI

The Fall of France

- _____
- Hitler's army moves through the Ardennes and around the _____
- Reach France's _____ in 10 days & France _____

The Miracle at Dunkirk

- _____
- Allied forces pushed to the beaches at _____
- French & British troops rescued by _____

The Battle of Britain

- Summer of _____
- German _____ makes nightly bomb raids over Great Britain
- New technology (_____) allow British RAF to hold off Germany and prove Hitler can be stopped

Operation Barbarossa

- _____
- _____ breaks non-aggression pact & invades the _____
- Soviet Union uses _____ Policy and holds back Germany at Leningrad
- Germany moves on to _____ and _____

Stalingrad

- _____ – _____
- Germany wanted to seize oil fields and capture _____
- German troops _____ to the Soviet Union due to starvation and cold

Pearl Harbor

- _____
- Japanese _____ on the US in retaliation for cutting off their oil supply
- _____ ships sunk or damaged
- More than _____ killed & the US enters the war

The Atlantic Wall

- _____
- _____ had massive defenses built along Europe's western coast against invasion

D-Day

- Massive _____ of Europe planned by _____
- _____ is selected as the best location
- Invasion is _____
- Troops land in _____ to push into _____
- Largest _____ in history
- Leads to the eventual liberation of _____, _____, and _____

The Liberation of Europe

- Allied soldiers push into _____ and free _____
- Soviet army closes in on _____ from the east
- _____ forces advance from the west
- The Battle of _____ begins in April 1945
- Hitler _____ that month
- Germany _____ in May

The Battle of Midway

- _____
- Japan targeted _____ to get the whole _____ to the island.
- US attack on Japanese _____ and was successful
- _____ of the war in the Pacific

The Battle of Guadalcanal

- _____ – _____
- Allies attacked Japanese airbase in _____
- Battle turned into a savage struggle & ended with more than _____

Battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa

- _____ – _____
- Brutal fighting over _____ close to Japan
- Extremely high _____ on both sides

Hiroshima & Nagasaki

- _____
- President _____ informed an invasion of Japan might cost a million lives
- Dropping the _____ would be the _____ end to war
- Approximately _____ civilians died in the atomic bombs
- _____ fallout killed more. Led to Japanese surrender