**Name: Date:**

**Global 10R/Period: WWII Notes**

**World War II**

**The Road to War**

* **Post: WWI:**
* **The Ineffectiveness of the League of Nations**

* **The “Stab-In-The-Back” Theory**
* **1929:**

**Aggressors Invade**

* **Japan Invades Manchuria, 1931**
* 1931-
* **The Japanese Invasion of China, 1937**
* **Italy Attacks Ethiopia, 1935**
* + **League did nothing**
* **Germany Invades the Rhineland March 7, 1936**
* GB urges appeasement
  + Appeasement-

**TURNING POINT TOWARD WAR**

2. Shifted power in Germany’s favor🡪

**Rome-Berlin *Axis*, 1936**



**Rome-Berlin-Tokyo *Axis***



Now called the

* **The Spanish Civil War 1936 – 1939**

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| **The National Front** | **The Popular Front** |
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**The Austrian *Anschluss*, 1938**Anschluss-

* + - 1938-Ger. annexed Aust.
* **The “Problem” of the Sudetenland**
* 1938-
* Czechs ask for help
* **The Munich Conference**
* Sept 29, 1938-
  + Neville Chamberlain (GB Prime Min)felt he could preserve peace through appeasement

**AGGREEMENT**

* Hitler-
* **Who was right?**
* **The Nazi-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact, 1939**
* GB & France asked USSR to help
* While negotiating w/GB & France, Stalin also bargained w/ Hitler
  + August 23rd 1939- Non-Aggression Pact
    - * + USSR -

**The War Begins**

* **Poland Attacked: Sept. 1, 1939**
* *Blitzkrieg* / “Lightning War”

  + Take enemy by surprise
* **Miracle at Dunkirk**
* May 1940-
* May 26-June 4-
* **France Surrenders**
* **Now Britain Is All Alone!**
* Winston Churchill-
* **Battle of Britain: The “*Blitz*”**
* Summer 1940-
* RAF aided by:

  + Enigma-
* Ger. began night bombings
* **Operation Barbarossa: June 22, 1941**
* USSR retreated🡪
* Sept 8-
* **“General Winter to the Rescue”**
* Oct 1941-
  + Reached capital by Dec.
* Dug in until March
* **Battle of Stalingrad: Winter of 1942-1943**
* August 23rd, 1942-
* November 19th, 1942-
  + Leaves Germans trapped
* February 2nd, 1943-

**US Involvement and the Pacific Campaign**

* **US Policies Before Entering the War**
* Started out neutral🡪Why?
* “Cash and Carry” & Lend-Lease Act
* **Japan’s Planned Attack**
* + “A dagger pointed at [Japan’s] throat”
* **Pearl Harbor - Dec. 7, 1941**
* President Roosevelt Signs the US Declaration of War
* **Allies Strike Back**
  + Lt. Col. Jimmy Doolittle-First U. S. Raids on Tokyo, 1942
* **Battle of Midway Island: June 4-6, 1942**
* Destroyed 332 Japanese planes, 4 aircraft carriers & one support ship
* **Allied Counter-Offensive: “Island-Hopping”**
* Seize the weaker islands that were closer to Japan
* **Gen. MacArthur “Returns” to the Philippines [1944]**
* **US Marines on Mt. Surbachi, Iwo Jima [Feb. 19, 1945]**

**Meanwhile, Back in Europe…**

* **Gen. Eisenhower Gives the Orders for D-Day [“Operation Overlord”]**
* **D-Day (June 6, 1944)**
* GB, Am, French & Canadian troops landed on 60 mile stretch of beach at Normandy
* **D Day: Normandy Landing**
* By Sept-
* **The Battle of the Bulge**
* Dec. 16, 1944 -
* The beginning of the end for der Furher!
* **Mussolini Assassinated:**
* **Hitler Commits Suicide:**
* **V-E Day :**

**The Horrors of the Holocaust Exposed**

* **The Holocaust Begins**
* Nuremburg Laws-deprived Jews of German citizenship; outlaws intermarriage; ltd jobs
* Kristallnacht/ “Night of Broken Glass”
  + Nov 9 1938-
* Ghettos-
* **The “Final Solution”**
  + Genocide against Roma (gypsies), Poles, Russians, homosexuals, the insane, disabled, the incurable ill & especially Jews
  + Used:
    - Concentration camps-
    - Extermination camps-
      * Ex. Auschwitz

**The Lone Axis Power**

* **Hiroshima – August 6, 1945**
* 48,000 buildings destroyed
* 100,000s died of radiation poisoning & cancer later
* **Nagasaki – August 9, 1945**
* 60,000 injured
* 100,000s died of radiation poisoning & cancer later
* **V-J Day :**