

# World War II Study Guide

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**DIRECTIONS:** Use your notes and the textbook to make notes about each of the following topics. Make sure you study your Vocabulary and Unit Questions as well. On your test you will need to be able to interpret images, primary sources quotes, charts, and maps.

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1. What were the four major underlying causes of World War II?
2. What were some of the provisions included in the Treaty of Versailles?
3. What does appeasement mean?
4. What is fascism? What is communism?
5. When did the war in Europe begin?
6. Define Communism and Fascism
7. The Empire of Japan sought to expand their empire for what reason?
8. Which allies invaded what parts of Germany?
9. Why was Hitler's army defeated at the Battle of Stalingrad?
10. Why was Stalingrad important?
11. Why did the allies want to control North Africa and the Suez Canal?
12. What was Operation Overlord? What was Operation Torch?
13. What were the Nuremberg Laws? Why are they important?
14. What was Hitler's justification for the Holocaust?
15. What were the Nuremberg Trials? What precedent did they set?
16. Why did President Truman want to avoid an invasion of the Japanese mainland?
17. What was the most important turning point in the Battle for the Pacific?
18. What are 3 arguments for the use of the A-Bomb and 3 arguments against the use of the A-Bomb?
19. Where were the atomic bombs dropped? What were the effects of the bombs?
20. What was the Yalta conference? What did the major powers agree to?
21. What was the Potsdam Conference? What did Truman want?