

Causes of World War II Guided Notes

Costs of War

► *Economic Costs*

- US Debt 1940 - \$ _____ **BILLION**
US Debt 1945 - \$ _____ **BILLION**
- The war cost \$ _____ **BILLION** -- _____ times the cost of _____ & as much as **ALL** previous federal spending since _____

► *Human Costs*

- _____ people died (compared to _____ **million** in WWI)
- _____ **million** Russians (_____ **million** civilians)
- _____ **million** died as a result of the HOLOCAUST
(_____ **million** Jews + _____ **million** others)

Allied Powers

Major Powers & Their Leaders

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Axis Powers

Major Powers & Their Leaders

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Why? Causes of World War II

#1 Treaty of Versailles

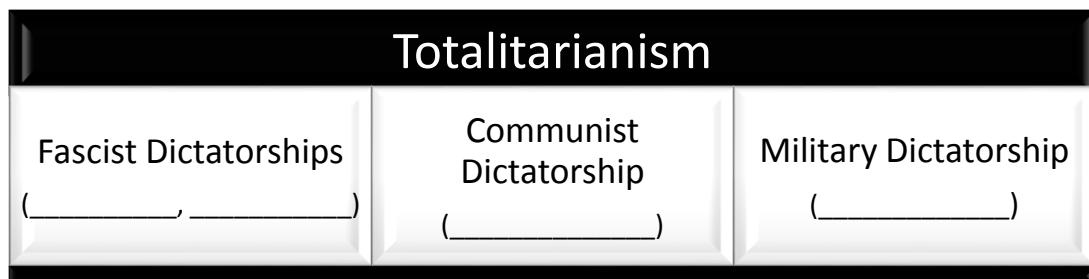
- The Treaty of Versailles was meant to bring _____ and to make the world " _____ " – but it wrecked Germany
- Germany lost _____ to surrounding nations
- War _____
 - Allies collect _____ to pay back _____ to U.S.
 - Germany must pay \$ _____ trillion (modern equivalent)
 - It _____ the German economy & _____ Germans

#2 Worldwide Depression

- ▶ The _____ made Germany's _____ even worse
- ▶ Desperate people turn to _____
 - ▶ Hitler seemed to provide _____ to Germany's _____
 - ▶ Hitler provided _____ for Germany's _____ (foreigners, Jews, communists, Gypsies, mentally ill, homosexuals)
 - ▶ Kristallnacht - _____ & _____ of Jewish property & synagogues

#3 Rise of totalitarian regimes

- ▶ In a _____ country, _____ are not viewed as important as the needs of the nation



#4 Isolationism of Major Powers

- ▶ US isolationist because of _____ and _____
- ▶ Opposition to war (_____)
 - ▶ Washington Conference - _____ on size of country's _____
 - ▶ _____ - condemned war as a way to solving conflicts
- ▶ This led to _____ of "Appeasement"
 - ▶ _____ : give dictators what they _____ and _____ that they won't want anything else
 - ▶ Begins with Japanese invasion of _____, Italian invasion of _____, and continues with _____ ...

#5 Failure of the League of Nations

- ▶ 1933 _____, after seeing L.O.N do nothing to Japan, pulls Germany out of _____ in _____
- ▶ 1935 Germany builds up _____, puts troops in the _____ (direct disobedience against Treaty of Versailles)
- ▶ He signs the _____ - _____ Axis Pact (_____ between Germany & Italy)
- ▶ League of Nations does _____ to stop him