

★ Reteaching Activity 21

America and World War II, 1941–1945

The bombing of Pearl Harbor moved Americans into action. Industries converted their plants to wartime production. Military recruits swamped training facilities. Americans planted victory gardens, rationed food, bought E bonds, and built the planes, ships, jeeps, tanks, and weapons that made the Allied victory possible.

DIRECTIONS: Identify the location for each of the following key battles or events from World War II.

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| A. Antwerp | E. Sicily | I. Normandy |
| B. Stalingrad | F. Casablanca | J. Midway Island |
| C. Bataan Peninsula | G. Okinawa | K. Mariana Islands |
| D. Los Alamos | H. Leyte Gulf | L. Nagasaki |

- _____ 1. Thousands of Allied prisoners of war died on a march to Japanese prison camps.
- _____ 2. Allies captured this island in order to have a launching base for an invasion of Japan.
- _____ 3. Admiral Nimitz’s fleet ambushed and severely damaged the Japanese fleet, stopping the Japanese offensive in the Pacific.
- _____ 4. Scientists with the Manhattan Project developed the atomic bomb in this secret location.
- _____ 5. These islands became bases for the B-29s that firebombed Japan in 1945.
- _____ 6. Hitler’s attempt to cut off Allied supplies coming through this Belgian city resulted in the Battle of the Bulge.
- _____ 7. Despite suffering high casualties during this beach invasion, the Allies successfully carried out Operation Overlord on D-Day.
- _____ 8. General Patton led American forces to capture this city on the edge of the German empire.
- _____ 9. “Fat Man” landed here, convincing the Japanese emperor to order Japan to surrender.
- _____ 10. Kamikaze pilots inflicted severe damage to American ships during the largest naval battle in history.
- _____ 11. Seeking to destroy the Soviet economy, Hitler attempted to capture this strategic city. Soviet forces trapped the German troops, turning the momentum against the Third Reich.
- _____ 12. After the Allies forced the Germans off this island, the king of Italy arrested Mussolini and negotiated peace with the Allies.
- 13. Critical Thinking** Why was it important that the Allies required unconditional surrender from both Germany in the Atlantic theater and Japan in the Pacific theater?