Define the Words

1. dictator
   Leader of a totalitarian government

2. totalitarian government
   One person or a small group of people who control every aspect of people's lives

3. Benito Mussolini
   Dictator of Italy - Facist party leader

4. Adolf Hitler
   Dictator of Germany in 1933

5. isolationism
   Staying apart from other countries

Time Scramble

Unscramble the following Dateline Events. Put them in order from "what happened first" to "what happened last."

Dateline Events:
- U.S. passes the Lend-Lease Act, March 11, 1941
- Munich Pact is signed, Sept. 1938
- Japan bombs Pearl Harbor, Dec. 1941
- Germany attacks Poland, Sept. 1939
- Japan takes over French Indochina, July 1941
- England and France declare war on Germany, Sept. 1939

1. Munich Pact is signed.
2. Germany attacks Poland.
3. England and France declare war.
5. Japan takes Indochina.

History Fill-In

Use the words below to fill in the blanks in these sentences.

blitzkrieg
Germany
General Franco
French Indochina
Adolf Hitler
dictators
Russia and Germany

1. The U.S. stopped all trade with Japan after they took over .......... French Indochina. (Vietnam).
2. Russia and Germany .......... signed a pact not to fight.
3. One cause of World War II was .......... dictators wanting more land and power.
4. General Franco .......... started a civil war in Spain to try to make Spain a totalitarian state.
5. Germany's .......... blitzkrieg .......... was known as "Lightning War."
6. Adolf Hitler .......... broke the Treaty of Versailles when he started building up German military forces.
7. It was the goal of .......... Germany .......... to take over Europe.
FACT FINDERS: A Dateline Review

Making Connections

Match the following people, places, and events.

1. Selective Service Act  
2. Atlantic Charter  
3. Germany, Italy, and Japan  
4. Joseph Stalin  
5. Manchuria  
6. General Tojo  
7. England and France  
8. Munich Pact  
9. Lend-Lease Act  
10. Italy and Germany

A. Dictator of Russia whose goal was to spread communism to every country
B. Led Japan in its goal to control the Far East and the Pacific Ocean
C. Takeover of this country by Japan was the first event leading to World War II
D. England and France gave Sudetenland to Hitler and he agreed to keep peace
E. U.S. would lend or lease war goods to England
F. All U.S. men between 21 and 35 must sign up for the first peacetime draft into the armed forces
G. Their goals were to get more land and more power
H. U.S. and England signed this to help make the world free from war
I. Declared war on Germany after Germany and Russia attacked Poland
J. Signed an agreement to help each other take over Europe

History Mystery

Finished early? See if you can solve this History Mystery! You may use an encyclopedia, dictionary, or another resource book to help you.

QUESTION: What did young Adolf Hitler want to become when he grew up?

Artist

Short Answers

Write a short answer to each of these questions.

1. List the reasons the U.S. wanted isolationism.
   1) War does not solve problems.  
   2) Oceans will keep U.S. safe.  
   3) League of Nations should have kept peace.  
   4) U.S. has its own problems.

2. Why did dictators gain power?
   1) Countries were ruined by WWI—wanted rebuilding
   2) Dictators promised power and growth.

3. What did the U.S. Neutrality Acts do?
   1) U.S. will not send guns or loan money to countries at war.
   2) U.S. can sell nonmilitary goods to countries at war, but they must pay cash and carry goods in their own ships.
**Dateline Match**

Match the following people, places, and events.

- **F** 1. Munich Pact
- **G** 2. Neutrality Laws
- **I** 3. World War II
- **B** 4. dictators
- **J** 5. French Indochina
- **D** 6. Rhineland
- **H** 7. Pearl Harbor
- **E** 8. General Tojo
- **A** 9. England and France
- **C** 10. isolationism

**A.** Their declaration of war against Germany was the beginning of World War II

**B.** Leaders of totalitarian governments

**C.** Stay apart from other countries

**D.** Germany broke the Treaty of Versailles when it sent troops into this area

**E.** Warlord of Japan who wanted to control the Far East and the Pacific

**F.** Germany broke this by taking over Czechoslovakia

**G.** Passed to keep the U.S. out of the war

**H.** Japanese surprise attack on the U.S.

**I.** A cause of this was, revenge of the losers of World War I for an unfair peace treaty

**J.** The U.S. stopped trading with Japan when they took over this country

**Definitions**

Define these words.

1. **blitzkrieg**
   "Lightning War"— tanks, guns, and planes fire on the enemy at the same time. Troops follow.

2. **Selective Service Act**
   All U.S. men between 21 and 35 must sign up for the first peacetime draft into the armed forces.

3. **Atlantic Charter**
   Roosevelt & Churchill—1941
   1) Make the world free from war
   2) Let people choose their own form of government

4. **Josef Stalin**
   Communist dictator of Russia who wanted to spread Communism worldwide

5. **General Franco**
   Spanish dictator—1936
   Wanted to make Spain a totalitarian state

**In Their Shoes**

Pretend you are there. What would you do if . . .

1. The U.S. is ruled by a dictator. Would you continue to live here? Explain your answer please.

2. You are President Roosevelt. Would you follow the “Good Neighbor Policy” or join the fight against Hitler and Mussolini? Why?
## Table Talk

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## History Plugs

Use the words below to fill in the blanks in these sentences.

1. **Germany** & **Italy** made a pact to help each other take over Europe.

2. Japan’s attack on **Manchuria** was the first event leading to World War II.

3. The U.S. declared war on Japan after the bombing of **Pearl Harbor**.

4. It was the goal of **Italy** to control all the land around the Mediterranean Sea.

5. **Russia** & **Germany** signed a pact not to fight each other that Germany later broke.

6. The U.S. helped England in the war with the **Lend-Lease Act**.

7. A **totalitarian government** is one that controls every part of people’s lives.