

SOCIAL STUDIES- Unit 2 Part B- History of Europe

STUDY GUIDE

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WWI Through WWII

1. What were the four MAIN causes of WWI?

Militarism
Alliances
Imperialism
Nationalism

2. What are the 5 things that the Treaty of Versailles accomplished (did)?

#1. Made Germany pay reparations (\$33 Billion)
#2. Germany lost 10% of their land
#3. Germany lost all of their colonies
#4. Germany could only have 100,000 people in their army, no new tanks, subs or weapons and only 6 battleships in their navy.
#5. Germany had to join the League of Nations

3. What was the Holocaust?

The systematic extermination of over 6 million Jews by the Nazis

4. As a result of the worldwide economic depression, what political party rose to power in Germany?

Nazi

5. Who were the Allied Powers in WWI?

UK, France, Russia, US

6. What event signaled the beginning of WWI in Europe?

Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand

7. What happened to Germany as a result of losing WWI and being forced to pay reparations?

They went broke

8. Who was Adolf Hitler?

Chancellor of Germany, Leader of Nazi Party, dictator

9. After WWII, what happened to Germany?

Germany had to pay money again, and the Allied Powers (French, US, UK, and Russia)

10. What action caused the US to enter WWII?

Bombing of Pearl Harbor

11. What is the purpose of a concentration camp?

to exterminate the Jews

Russian Revolution

1. What caused the Russian revolution?

There were food shortages in Russia.

2. Why did the Russian peasants resent Czar Nicholas?

Bloody Sunday/they were starving- he didn't meet the needs of his people/ hated to be in crowds

3. What did the Russian lower and middle class people want to change?
better working conditions, more food,
4. What happened to Czar Nicholas and his family?
They were executed by the Bolsheviks
5. Who were the Bolsheviks and what did they do?
The group that rebelled against the Russian Government. They believed in radical changes and strongly disliked the czar. They had socialist/communist beliefs.
6. How did Vladimir Lenin offer hope to the Russian people?
Leader of the Bolsheviks. Became leader of Russia after the Czar. Ruled by communism. Promised them food and better jobs.
7. What is the difference between communism and democracy?
Communism= government control
Democracy= Power resides in the people/ freedom
8. What effect did the Russian Revolution have on WWI?
It effectively stopped Russia's participation in the war.

Cold War and Rise of Superpowers

1. Which countries were the "Superpowers" during the Cold War?
Soviet Union and the United States
2. What did the Superpowers have different ideas about?
How the government functioned-
Soviet= Communist
US= Democracy
3. Why was it called a Cold War?
neither side mobilized their armies in an official war
4. What was considered the biggest threat during the Cold War?
Nuclear Weapons
5. What was considered a symbol of the Cold War?
The Berlin Wall
6. What was the main concern of the US during the Cold War?
Nuclear War
7. What happened to the city of Berlin during the Cold War? What was the reason for the Berlin Wall?
It was blockaded and split between East and West. The Berlin Wall was built to separate the two
8. Who was Gorbachev?
Leader of the USSR
9. As the Cold War was coming to an end, what idea was Gorbachev and Yeltsin attempting to spread in the Soviet Union?
Democracy

Collapse of the Soviet Union and German Reunification

1. After the Soviet Union introduced a plan of openness and rebuilding of their economy how did the people of the Soviet Union respond?
They were joyful and happy.
2. How and when were East and West Germany reunified?
when the Berlin Wall Fell

3. What led to the end of the Cold War?

Fall of the Soviet union(Berlin wall fell and soviet Republics began to rebel)

4. What year did the Soviet Union collapse and the Cold War end?

1991

*****Be prepared to write an essay on ONE of the following topics:** how events from World War I lead to World War II **OR** compare and contrast life on one side of the Berlin Wall to life on the other. For either essay, you will need to give very specific details and use specific vocabulary terms to demonstrate your knowledge of these events. General or vague info will not cut it! Review your notes, so you are prepared to rock this essay!