

## Primary Worksheets: World War 2

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Germany was ruled by a man named Adolf Hitler who was in the Nazi Party. He wanted to Germany to rule Europe and gain more land and power.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 1939, he sent German troops to invade Poland. He refused to stop the invasion, resulting in Britain and France to declare war on Germany.

This is what begun the war called World War 2.



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Hitler wanted to create the best and strongest race. He excluded certain groups such as Jews, Gypsies, and those with disabilities.

The Jews were heavily targeted by the Nazis as Hitler blamed them for Germany losing World War 1. He also claimed they were dangerous to German people and society.

Around 6 million Jewish people were killed during World War 2 in the Holocaust, one of the world's worst genocides.

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By 1941, Germany invaded many countries including France, Belgium, and Yugoslavia. At the same time Germany fought for power, Japan wanted to control Asia and the Pacific.

The United States joined the war in 1941 when Japan attacked their Naval Base at Pearl Harbor on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December. The United States declared war the next day on Japan and their German allies.



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Some countries remained neutral throughout the war, like Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland.

In 1944, France was freed from Nazi rule from allied armies. One year later, Germany was invaded, forcing them to surrender. Hitler shot himself on 30<sup>th</sup> of April 1945.

Japan surrendered in the same year after nuclear attacks to their major cities. World War 2 had ended.

Over 64 million people died in World War 2.

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**Answer the questions.**

Who is Adolf Hitler?

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Why did World War 2 start?

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How many soldiers died in the war?

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**Answer the questions.**

Who did Hitler not like?

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Why did the United States join the war?

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Why did the war end?

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