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## WORLD WAR II ERA (1935 - 1945) – LESSON 2

**Objective: To examine the immediate causes of World War II.**

### Soviet Union



- Soviet leader Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ ordered his people to produce more goods in order to strengthen the country in preparation for \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ were forced to give up their land and to join \_\_\_\_\_ farms.
- Millions of farmers that resisted were either killed or sent to labor camps.

### Japan

· Japan felt that they had the right to start an overseas \_\_\_\_\_, just as \_\_\_\_\_ countries such as Britain and France had.

· In 1931, Japan seized \_\_\_\_\_, China, for its valuable \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

· The League of \_\_\_\_\_ failed to help \_\_\_\_\_.

· In 1937, Japan began an all out attack on \_\_\_\_\_, eventually conquering \_\_\_\_\_ and French \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ as well.



# War in Europe



· 1936 – German troops move into the \_\_\_\_\_, bordering \_\_\_\_\_ and Belgium.

· 1938 – Germany \_\_\_\_\_ Austria.

\* Both of these actions violated the \_\_\_\_\_ Treaty.

· 1938 – Germany claimed the \_\_\_\_\_, a part of \_\_\_\_\_.

\* \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ had signed treaties promising to protect Czechoslovakia.

· Sept. 1938 – At the \_\_\_\_\_ **Conference**, \_\_\_\_\_ invited the leaders of Britain and France to Germany and assured them that he wanted no more territory.

\* Britain and France gave into Germany hoping that it would avoid \_\_\_\_\_. This is known as \_\_\_\_\_.

\* However, in 1939, Germany \_\_\_\_\_ the rest of \_\_\_\_\_ anyway!



## Stalin and Hitler



· 1939 – In the \_\_\_\_\_ -  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Pact**, Hitler and Stalin agreed  
not to attack one another.

· They also agreed to divide  
\_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ amongst themselves.

· September 1, 1939 – Germany  
\_\_\_\_\_ without having to fear  
of a \_\_\_\_\_ attack.

\* Two days later, \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ declared war on  
\_\_\_\_\_.