World War II Timeline Quest

World War II was a global military conflict that resulted in the deaths of over 70 million people. Opposing nations making up the Allies and the Axis powers battled for control for almost six years. It was the largest armed conflict in history, spanning the entire world and involving more countries than any other war, as well as introducing powerful new weapons, culminating in the first use of nuclear weapons. Causes of World War II can be traced back to the end of World War I and the toll it took on the various nations and people involved. Review the chart above. The war in Europe began with a bang on September 1, 1939 with the invasion of Poland by Nazi Germany, and concluded on September 2, 1945, with the official surrender of the last Axis nation, Japan. The war ravaged civilians more severely than any previous conflict and served as a backdrop for genocidal killings by Nazi Germany as well as several other mass slaughters of civilians which, although not technically genocide, were significant. The war ended with the unconditional surrender of Germany on May 8, 1945. Imagine your great-grandfather and his family are minding their own business some where in Europe, hearing rumors of a man name Hitler and the Axis powers. After appeasing this man and his allies for years your ancestor's country is now thrown into the midst of war, again, either by invasion or alliances. Out of a sense of nationalism your great-grandfather joins the war effort as a soldier. He is now on the battlefield fighting against the Axis powers. It has become the 2nd World War. The sound of explosions, gunfire, and screaming awaken him every night, if he is even able to sleep at all, he watches his friends and foes become wounded or die. He fights for years to preserve his country's freedom and the freedom of others all over the world, and miraculously he lived through it all. Now it is your duty to remember him and all of the other men and women that fought for those years and was involved in the war. Remember, if he and all of the other service men and women had not fought, this world may be a very different place and you may not be here today and enjoy the privileges that you do.

DOL: Given an informational web quest, various links, and video clips my partner and I will begin collecting data for the "World War II Time Line Web quest" graphic organizer and maps for 3 test grades. Create a timeline showing the critical events during and after WWII. Fill in web quest fact sheet graphic organizer

OBJ: My partner and I will analyze World War II, including the dates, locations, and details of major events. This data will assist me in evaluating the history of World War II.

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You will be graded using the 2 rubric below...

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<td><strong>Timeline</strong></td>
<td>Had 14 or less dates and were out of order. 15 points</td>
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<td>Had 20 or more dates and all were in order. 35 points</td>
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<td><strong>Essay</strong></td>
<td>Answered less than 8 points from the prompt, wrote 1 or 2 paragraphs for some of the points and is less than 3 pages long. 20 points</td>
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**Total Score** 100 points

**Conclusion**

Now that you have completed your timeline you can share what you have found with your classmates, and reflect back on everything done for you by the service men and women of various country during World War 2.

**Teacher Page**

**Standards**

**Credits**

**Other**
Any questions please email Mrs. Hanlon: ehanlon@piners.org