

Unit 4: World War II, Part Two

Content Area: **Social Studies**
Course(s): **Generic Course**
Time Period: **Semester 2**
Length: **10 weeks**
Status: **Published**

Unit Introduction

Standards

Ref's	Standard ID	Description
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.11	The United States participated in World War II as an Allied force to prevent military conquests by Germany, Italy, and Japan. Domestic and military policies during World War II continued to deny equal rights to African Americans, Asian Americans, and women.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.A.11.c	Determine if American policies regarding Japanese internment and actions against other minority groups were a denial of civil rights.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.A.11.d	Analyze the decision to use the atomic bomb and the consequences of doing so.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.A.11.e	Assess the responses of the United States and other nations to the violation of human rights that occurred during the Holocaust and other genocides.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.B.11.a	Explain the role that geography played in the development of military strategies and weaponry in World War II.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.C.11.a	Apply opportunity cost and trade-offs to evaluate the shift in economic resources from the production of domestic to military goods during World War II, and analyze the impact of the post-war shift back to domestic production.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.D.11.a	Analyze the roles of various alliances among nations and their leaders in the conduct and outcomes of the World War II.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.D.11.b	Evaluate the role of New Jersey (i.e., defense industries, Seabrook Farms, military installations, and Battleship New Jersey) and prominent New Jersey citizens (i.e., Albert Einstein) in World War II.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.D.11.e	Explain how World War II and the Holocaust led to the creation of international organizations (i.e., the United Nations) to protect human rights, and describe the subsequent impact of these organizations.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.B.12.a	Evaluate the effectiveness of the Marshall Plan and regional alliances in the rebuilding of European nations in the post World War II period.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.C.13.b	Evaluate the effectiveness of economic policies that sought to combat post-World War II inflation.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.1.12.C.13.d	Relate American economic expansion after World War II to increased consumer demand.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.2.12.B.4.d	Explain the intended and unintended consequences of new national boundaries established by the treaties that ended World War II.
0x	SOC.9-12.6.2.12.C.5.a	Explain how and why Western European countries and Japan achieved rapid economic recovery after World War II.
0x	FL.12.7.1.AL.A	Interpretive Mode

Essential Questions

- Evaluate the progress of the island-hopping strategy in the PTO by the end of 1943.
- How did the Summit Meetings among the "Big Three" impact the progress of the war?
- Was the decision to drop the atomic bombs on Japan necessary and proper?
- Was the Election of 1944 substantially comparable to the Election of 1864?
- What did Churchill mean by calling the early part of 1943 "the end of the beginning"?
- What place does the allied Italian Campaign have in American history and to what extent does it deserve its place?
- What were some controversial questions associated with the allied bombing campaign in the ETO during 1943-45?
- Why does the 1944 invasion of Normandy hold such a high place in the American memory?

Goals/Objectives

Ref's	Description
0x	• Analyze historical events relative to the modern world
0x	• Analyze social, political, and cultural change
0x	• Apply problem-solving to develop solutions
0x	• Evaluate communication of information for soundness of evidence and potential bias
0x	• Evaluate concepts and themes through historical periods
0x	• Examine source data to test credibility and evaluate bias
0x	• Formulate questions from multiple perspectives, using multiple sources
0x	• Reconcile primary and secondary source information

Content

- Build a complete and true list of military events in the PTO from 1 APRIL 1945 through 2 SEPT 1945.
- Chronicle the important events and developments in the air war in the ETO during the period 1943-1945.
- Demonstrate geographic mastery regarding the unfolding events of World War II during the period 1943-1945.
- Explain and describe the important summit meetings held from 1943-1945
- Identify and evaluate important figures on the American military, diplomatic, and political scene

during the period 1943-1945

- Name and describe the important US military campaigns in the ETO during 1943
- Narrate the significant political developments vis a vis the war in the US during 1943-1944
- Offer a thorough and accurate account of the military events in the ETO from 6 JUNE 1944 until VE Day 1945
- Provide a factually rich chronology for military events in the PTO from 1943 through 1944

Skills

Ref's	Description
0x	• Analyze charts, tables, and political cartoons
0x	• Compare and contrast
0x	• Critical Thinking
0x	• Data Analysis
0x	• Distinguish facts from opinions
0x	• Identify main ideas and details
0x	• Media literacy
0x	• Reading for content mastery
0x	• Supporting positions
0x	• Understand political, economic, and physical maps