

Chapter 14 – Section 1

The road to World War II.

- 1. How did dictators in other parts of the world try to fix the conditions (that were even worse) caused by the Depression in their countries?
- 2. What was a totalitarian government and what were three countries that had them in the 1920s and 30s?
- 3. What is the philosophy of fascism that Germany and Italy based their governments on?
- 4. Who was Benito Mussolini and how did he come to power in Italy?
- 5. What three political moves did he make after coming to power? What was his reason?

- 6. Who was Adolf Hitler and what did he have in common with Mussolini?
- 7. What political party did he join and quickly become the leader of?
- 8. Why did he go to prison and what was Mein Kampf?
- 9. What were three of Hitler's ideas in Mein Kampf?
- 10. What did Hitler promise the German people?

- 11. What three things was Hitler able to do because of his popularity?
- 12. How did Hitler violate the Versailles Treaty (signed after WWI) in 1936?
- 13. Who were the Axis powers? Why did they form?
- 14. What bold moves did Hitler make?
- 15. What was the policy of appeasement practiced by England and France? Why did they do it?

- 16. What happened six months later?
- 17. What happened on September 1st 1939 and why?
- 18. What was a “blitzkrieg” or “lightning war” and where did it happen?
- 19. What heroic feat did the British accomplish?
- 20. What happened in June of 1940?

- 21. What did Hitler do next?
- 22. Why was the British Royal Air Force (RAF) considered so brave?
- 23. What was the end result of the Battle of Britain? (as it became known)
- 24. What were three reasons Japan was just as unhappy as Germany and Italy?
- 25. How did the Japanese army shock the world in the 1930s?

- 26. Why did FDR begin a Naval buildup in the Pacific and move the Pacific fleet from CA to Pearl Harbor?
- 27. What was the Tripartite Pact and who signed it?
- 28. What were two reasons America remained neutral?
- 29. What was the policy of isolationism that many Americans supported?
- 30. What was the “cash and carry” policy? Why?

- 31. What were two actions taken by FDR that increased our involvement?
- 32. What was the Lend-Lease Act?
- 33. How did America respond to Japan's aggression? Why didn't we do more?
- 34. Why did Japan decide to attack America's fleet at Pearl Harbor?
- 35. What actually happened at Pearl Harbor that Sunday morning?

- 36. What happened on December 8th 1941?
- 37. What happened three days later?

Homework

- Using your notes, create a timeline showing at least **10** events and/or responses to those events leading up to U.S. involvement in World War II.