WWII Study Guide

- 1. What conditions lead to the Great Depression?
- 2. Why did the stock market crash in October of 1929?
- 3. Why was the Great Depression so severe and how did it affect society?
- 4. What is the cycle of depression and how does it work?
- 5. How and why was Germany affected by the Great Depression?
- 6. What is Fascism?
- 7. How did Benito Mussolini come to power in Italy?
- 8. How did Mussolini change Italian government?
- 9. Why and how did Adolf Hitler become the leader of the Nazi party?
- 10. What is the Munich Beer Hall Putsch and why is it significant?
- 11. How did Hitler and Nazi's consolidate their power in Germany?
- 12. Who is Joseph Goebbels and why is he significant?

13. What are the Nuremberg laws and why are they significant? What is Kristallnacht?

- 14. What role did Japan play in causing WWII?
- 15. What is appeasement and why is it significant?
- 16. What was the Munich Conference and why is it significant?
- 17. How did WWII begin?
- 18. What is a blitzkrieg?
- 19. How was the war in France different in WWII than WWI?
- 20. What was the Battle of Britain and why is it significant?
- 21. How did Russia join the Allies?
- 22. How did the United States entrance into the war differ from WWI?
- 23. How did the Allies decide to fight the war? What were their priorities?
- 24. What was D-Day and why is it significant?
- 25. How did the US fight the Japanese in the Pacific?
- 26. What was the Manhattan Project and why is it significant?
- 27. How and why did the Holocaust begin?
- 28. Describe the death camps such as Auschwitz.