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| ` | MAIN Ideas 1. In the late 1930s Germany, Italy, and Japan used military force to build empires. Their aggressive actions led to the outbreak of World War II. 2. The early years of World War II went poorly for the Allies. But after the United States joined the war the Allies soon recovered and began making gains against the Axis. 3. During World War II, Germany’s Nazi government deliberately murdered some 6 million Jews and 5 million others in Europe. These actions became known as the Holocaust. 4. In 1945, the Allies finally triumphed over the Axis Powers, but the war left many nations in ruins. |

Reviewing Vocabulary, Terms, and People

Read the accomplishment below. In the space provided, write the letter of the name that matches each accomplishment.

 1. Elected prime minister of Great Britain

 2. Convinced Stalin to join the United Nations

 3. Commanded the British and American force that defeated Rommel in North Africa

 4. Led Allied forces that captured locations in the South Pacific

 5. Became president after Roosevelt’s death

 a. Dwight D. Eisenhower

 b. Harry S Truman

 c. Douglas MacArthur

 d. Franklin Roosevelt

 e. Winston Churchill

Comprehension and Critical Thinking

Read each pair of people or events. Circle the one that occurred first.

 6. United Nations OR nonaggression pact

 7. V-J Day OR D-Day

 8. Neville Chamberlain OR Winston Churchill

 9. Pearl Harbor OR Battle of Britain

 10. Battle of Stalingrad OR Battle of Iwo Jima

 11. Final Solution OR appeasement

 12. Yalta Conference OR Potsdam Conference

 13. Anschluss OR blitzkrieg

Reviewing Themes

Read each statement. Fill in the blank with the **theme** that best fits each statement.

Themes

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| science and technology | geography and environment | government and citizenship | arts and ideas |

 14. Totalitarian regimes emerged in Germany, Italy, and Japan in the years following World War I.

 15. Radar allowed the British to detect incoming German air attacks.

 16. During the war, posters were created to influence the way people thought.

 17. The German invasion of the Soviet Union was stopped by the harsh Soviet winter.