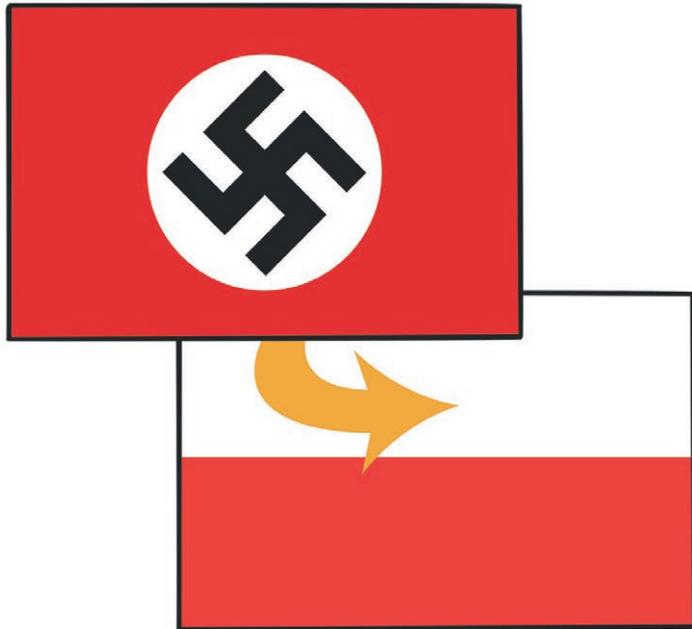


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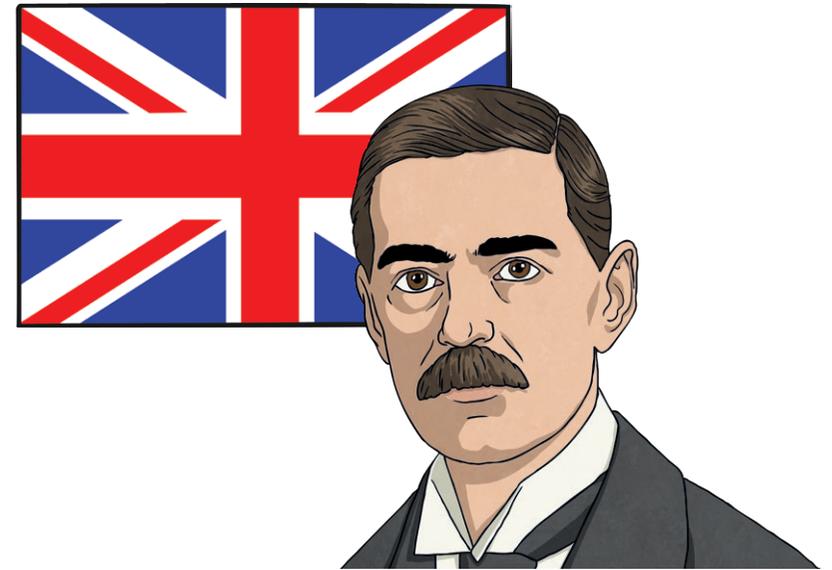


Germany invades Poland.



# 1939

## 3rd September

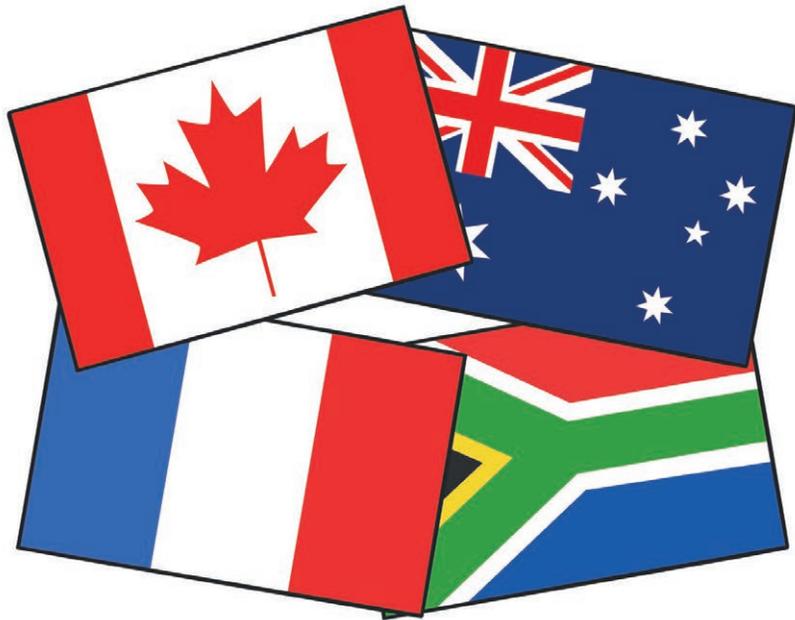


Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain declares war on Germany.



# 1939

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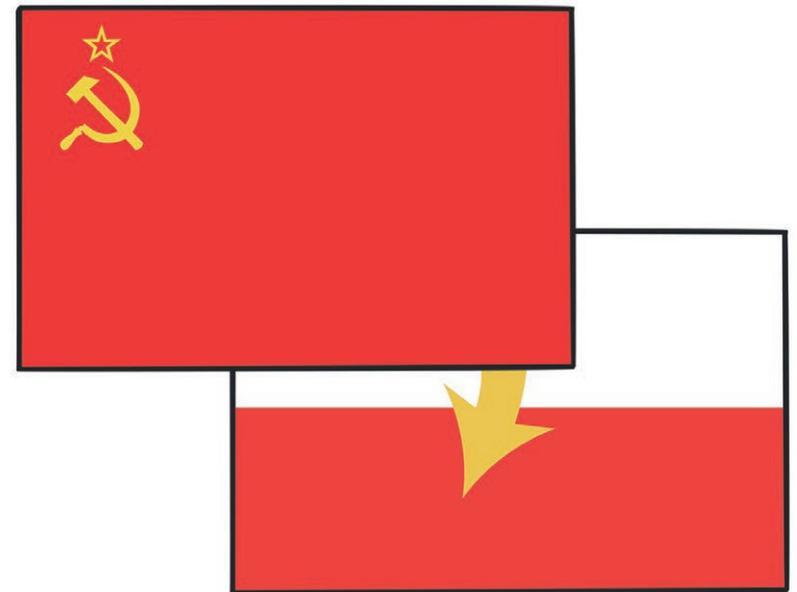


Canada, Australia, France and South Africa also declare war on Germany.



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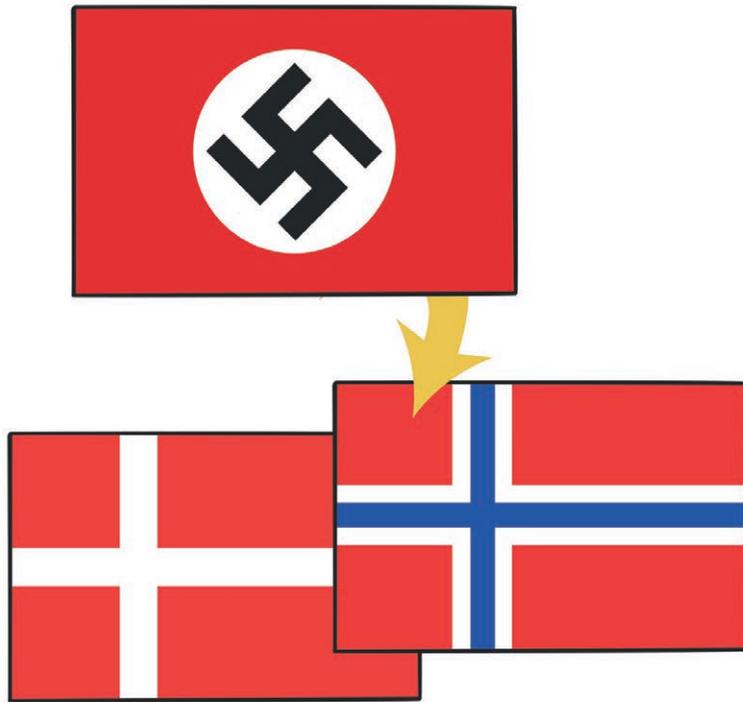


The Soviet Union invades Poland.



# 1940

## 9th April

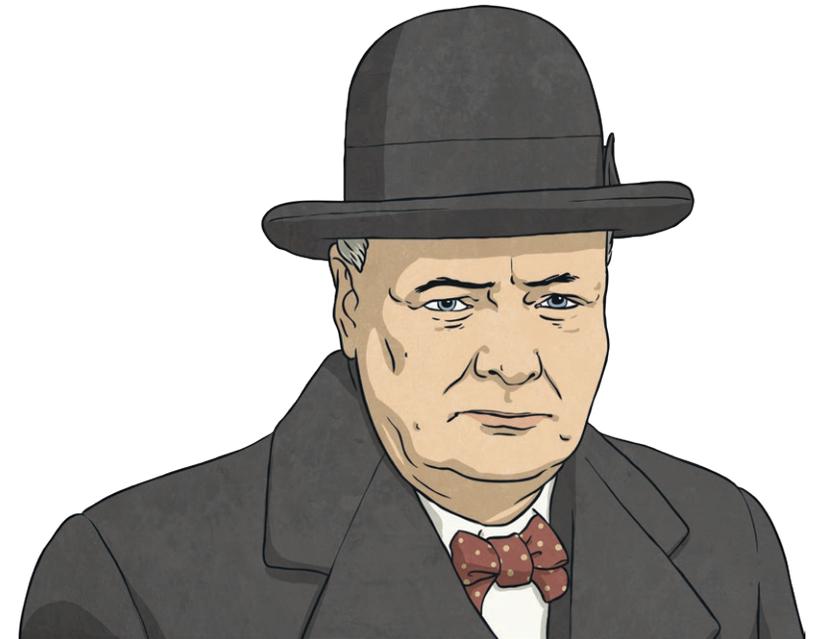


Germany invades  
Denmark and Norway.



# 1940

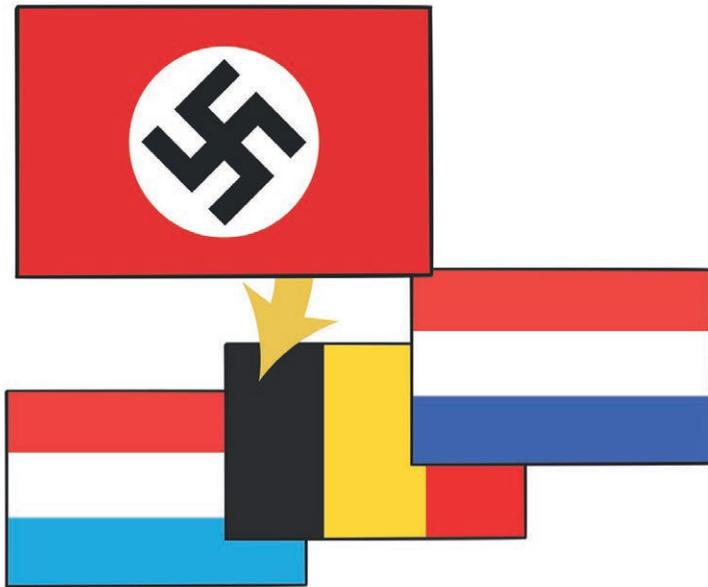
## 10th May



Winston Churchill becomes the new  
Prime Minister.



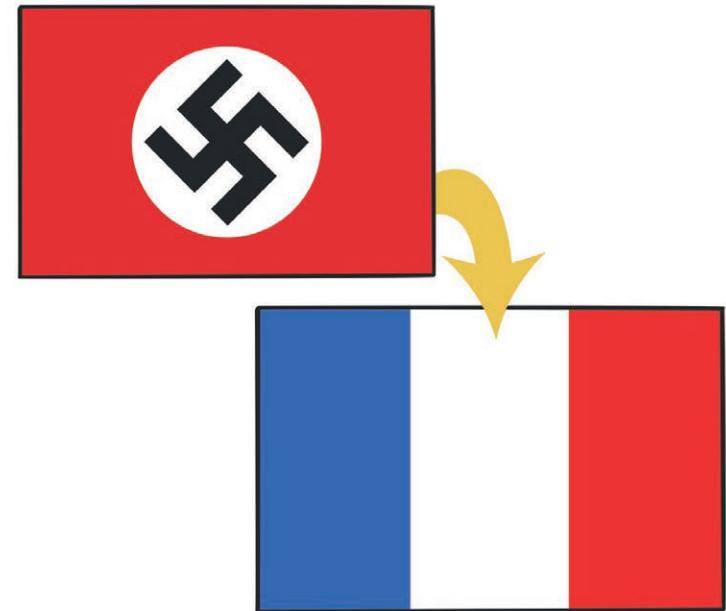
**1940**  
**10th May**



Germany attacks Western Europe.



**1940**  
**12th May**



Germany enters France.



**1940**  
**14th May**



The Netherlands surrenders to  
Germany.



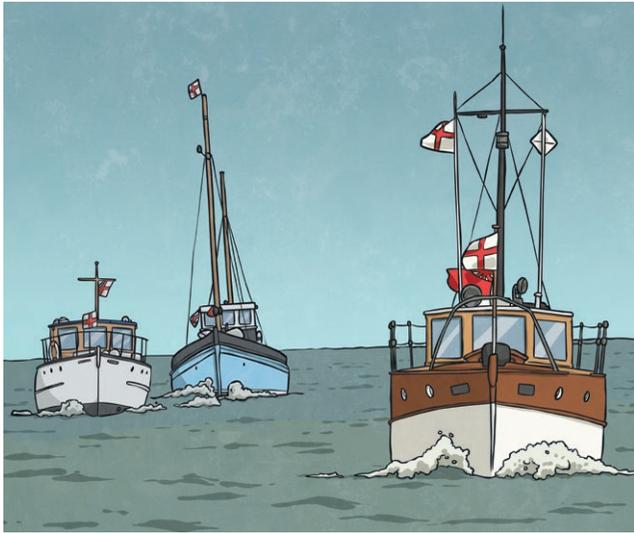
**1940**  
**14th May**



The Home Guard is formed.



**1940**  
**27th May**



340,000 French and British troops are evacuated from Dunkirk.



**1940**  
**28th May**

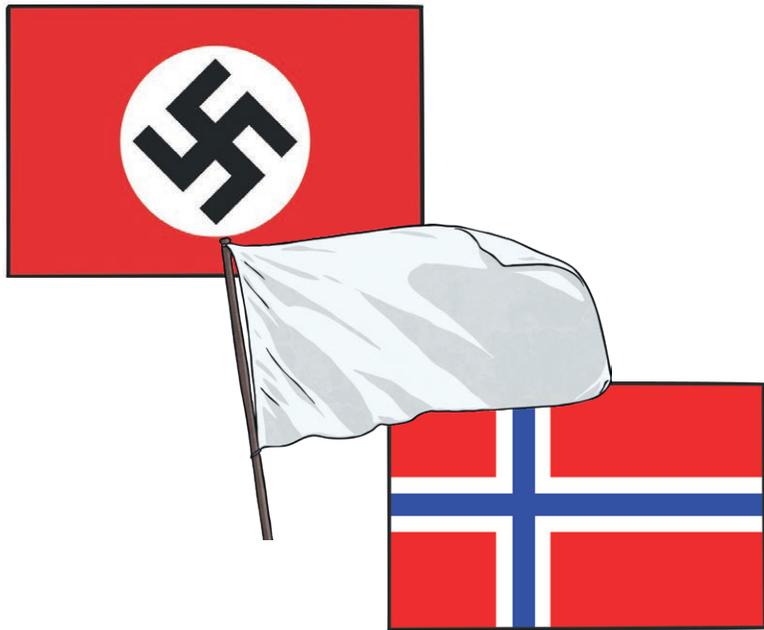


Belgium surrenders to Germany.



# 1940

## 9th June



Norway surrenders to Germany.



# 1940

## 10th June

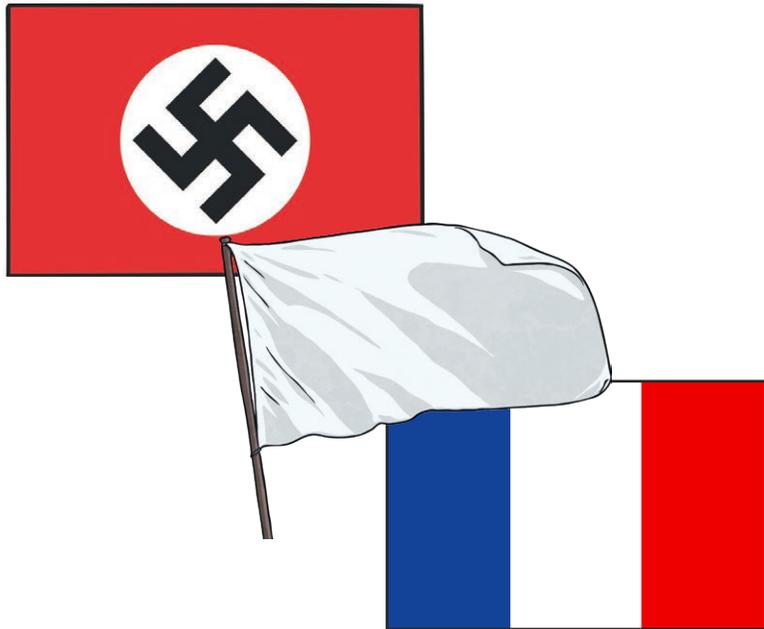


Italy declares war on  
Britain and France.



# 1940

## 22nd June



France surrenders to Germany.



# 1940

## 10th July



The Battle of Britain begins.



# 1940

## 7th September



The London Blitz begins.



# 1940

## 13th September

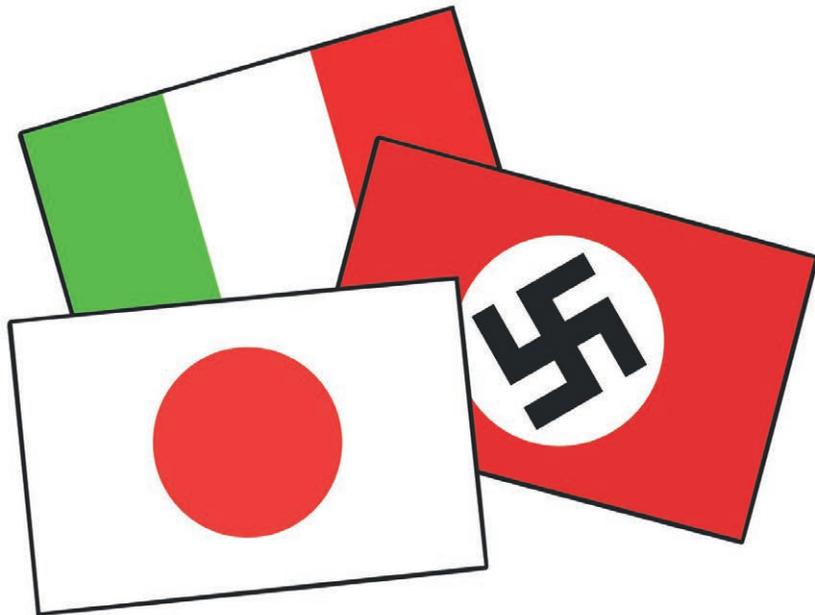


Italy invades British controlled Egypt.



# 1940

## 27th September



Germany, Italy and Japan join forces and sign the Tripartite Pact.



# 1940

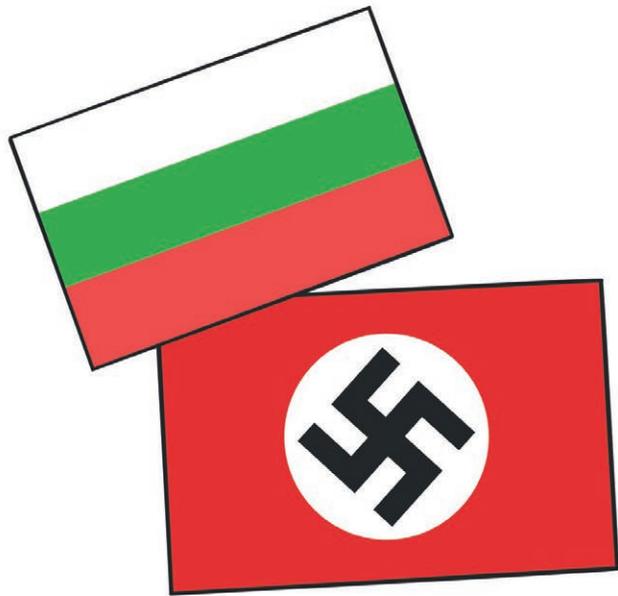
## November



Slovakia, Hungary and Romania join with Germany.



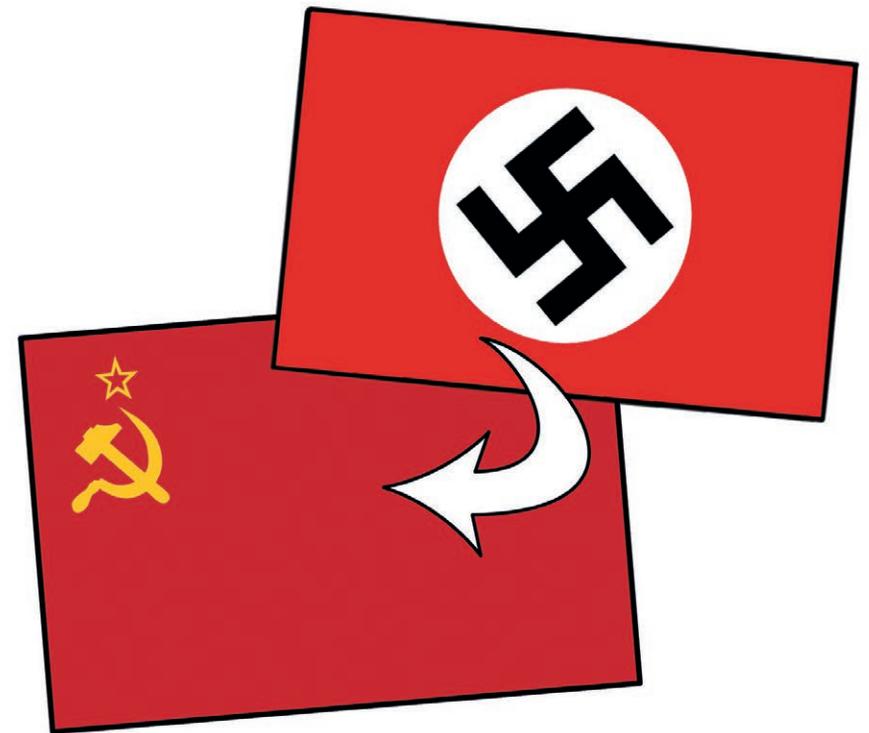
**1941**  
**March**



Bulgaria joins with Germany.



**1941**  
**22nd June**

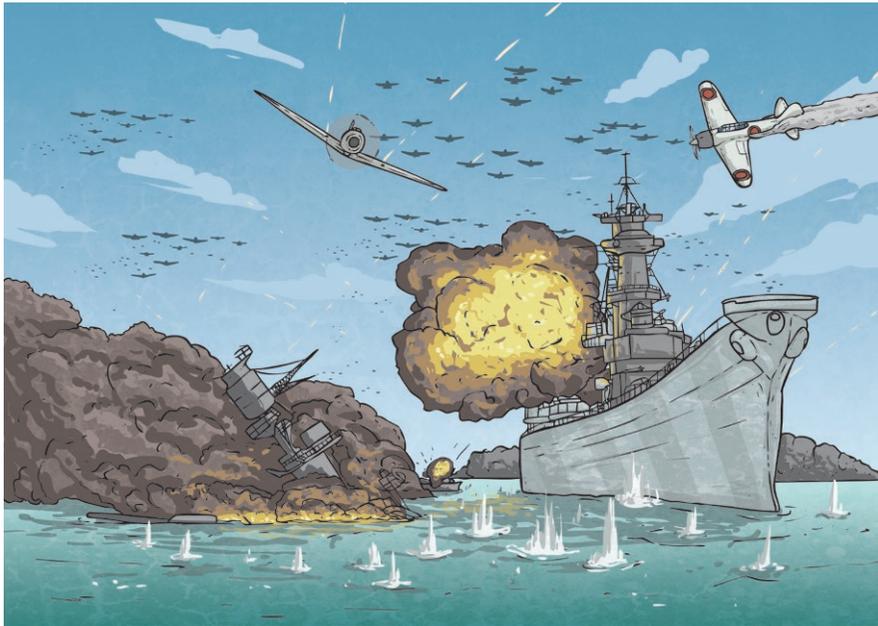


Germany invades the Soviet Union.



# 1941

## 7th December

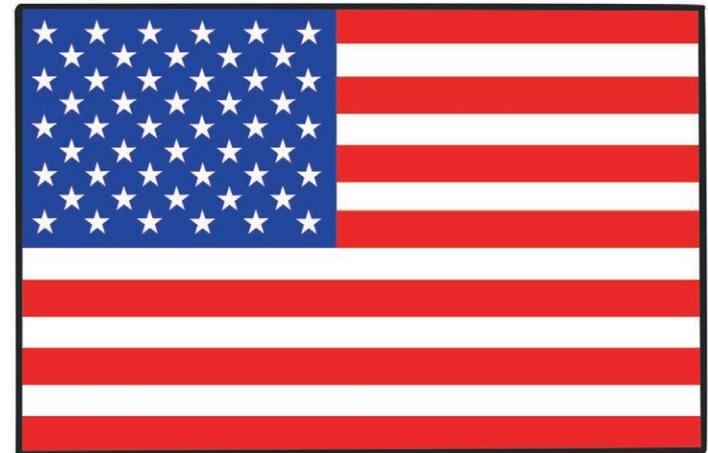


The Japanese attack Pearl Harbour in Hawaii.



# 1941

## 8th December



The United States declares war on Japan.



# 1941

## 11th December



Germany and Italy declare war on the United States.



# 1941

## 11th December

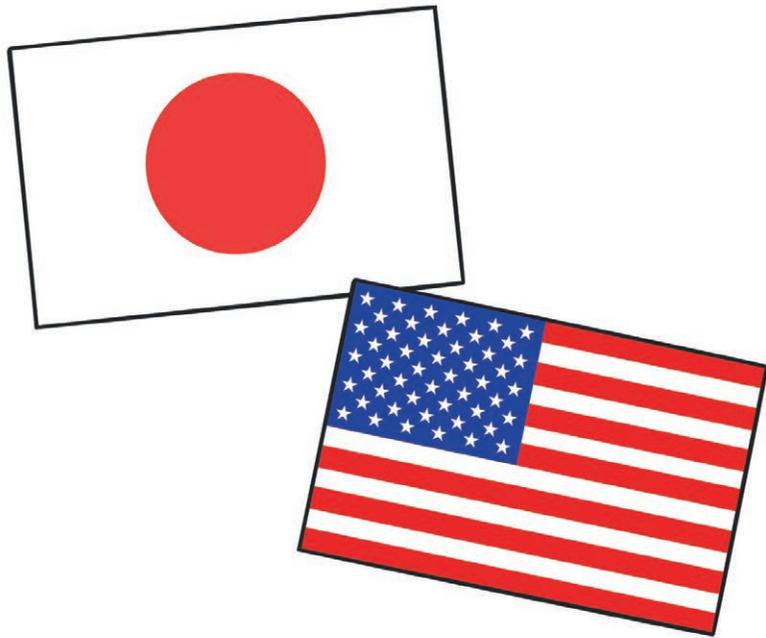


The United States declares war on Germany and Italy.



# 1942

## 4th May

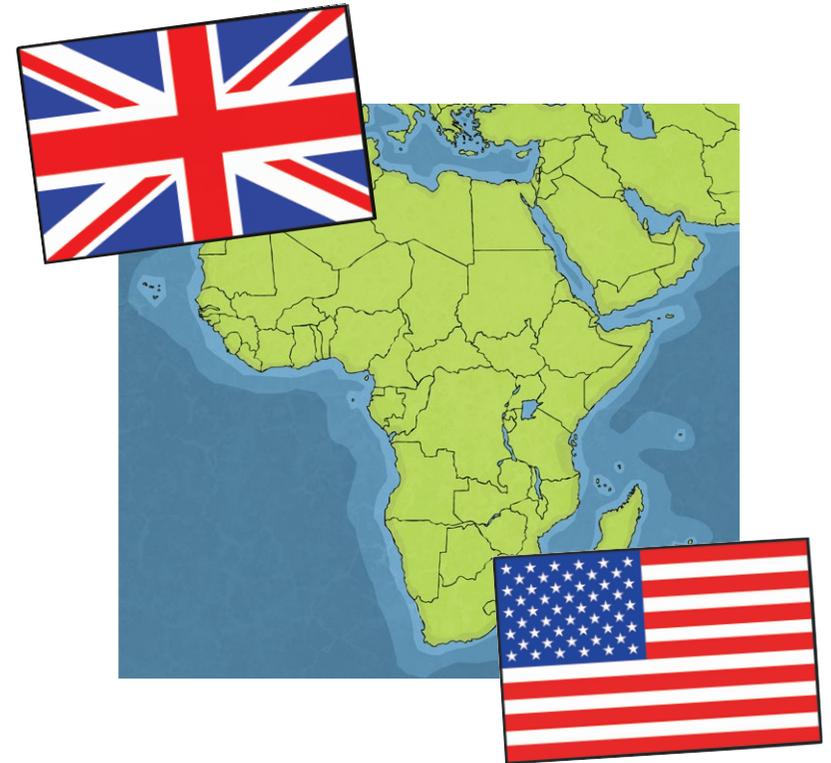


The Battle of the Coral Sea between the USA and Japan.



# 1942

## 8th November



British and US troops take back North Africa.



# 1943

## 20th April

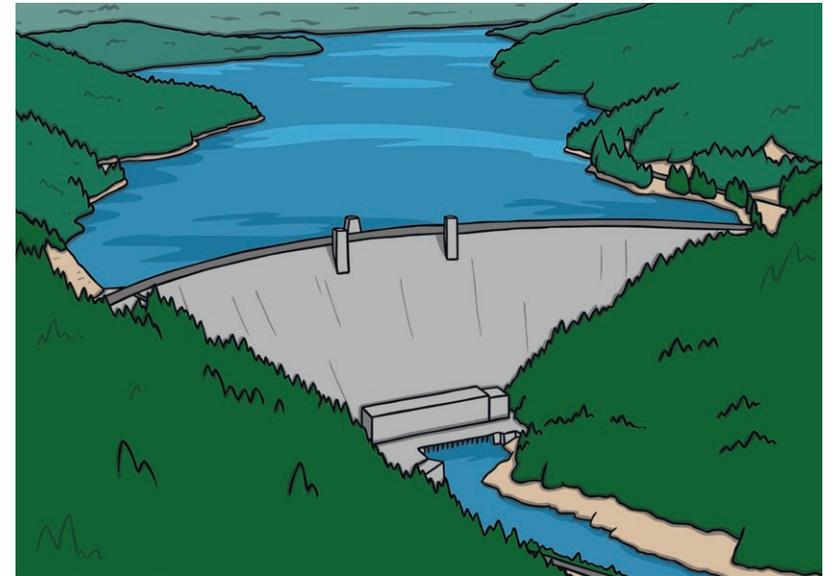


Jews massacred by the Germans at the Warsaw Ghetto in Poland.



# 1943

## 16th May



The Dam Buster raid.



# 1944

## 6th June



British and US troops land in Normandy.



# 1944

## 16th December

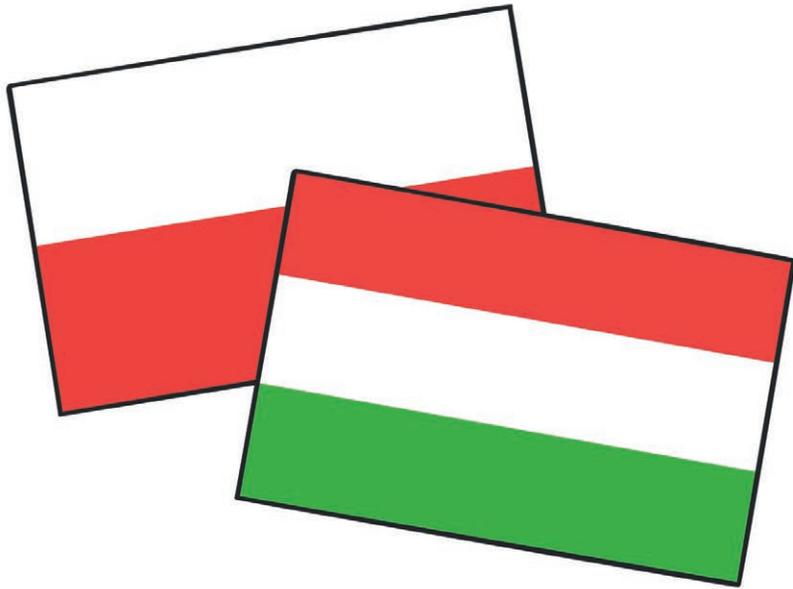


The Battle of the Bulge.



# 1945

## 12th January



The Soviets displaced the German Army from Warsaw, Krakow and Budapest.



# 1945

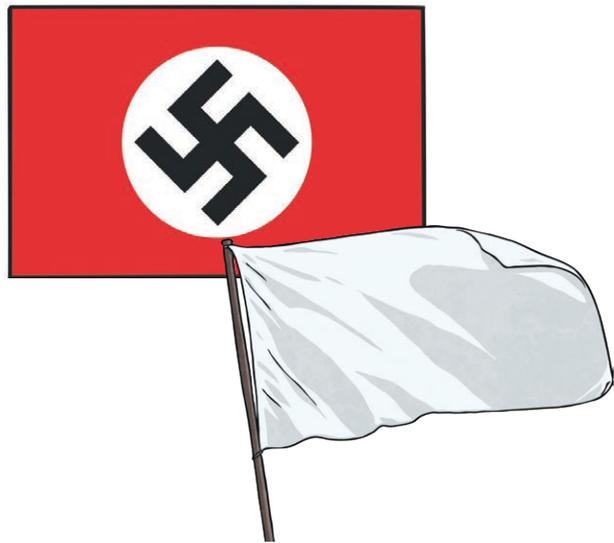
## 30th April



Hitler commits suicide.



**1945**  
**7th May**



Germany surrenders to the West.



**1945**  
**8th May**



Britain celebrates VE Day.



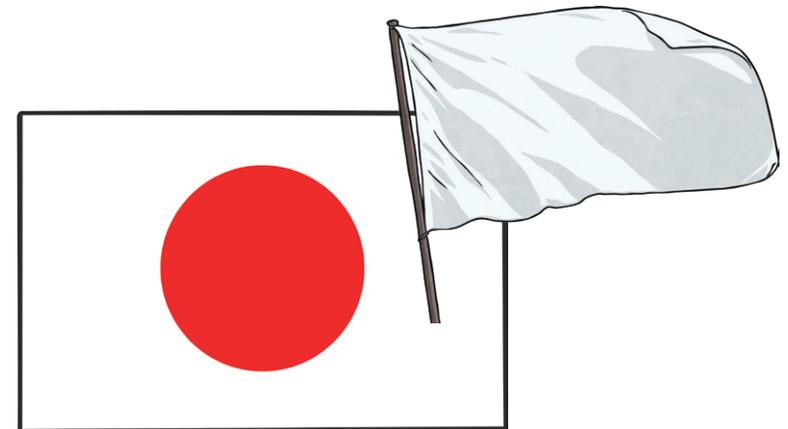
**1945**  
**6th August**



The first atomic bomb is dropped on Hiroshima by the US.



**1945**  
**2nd September**



Japan formally surrenders.  
World War II is over.

