The End of the War

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War Ends in Europe
Soviet Victories 1944

- End Siege of Leningrad
  - January 27, 1944
- Inflict 800,000 casualties
- Drive the Germans out of Russia
- Romania & Bulgaria switch sides
- Advance to within 40 miles of Berlin
D-Day June 6, 1944
Normandy Invasion

- Generals Marshall & Eisenhower
- 150,000 troops land on 5 beaches on 1\textsuperscript{st} day
- 1 million Allied troops in France by July 1\textsuperscript{st} 1944
- Paris Liberated in August 1944
Battle of the Bulge:
December 1944

- Final German Offensive
- Attempting capture port of Antwerp
- Use bad weather as air cover
- Early German success
- January 1945 Allies defeat the German offensive
The Germans Surrender

- Soviet army reaches Berlin in April 1945
- May 2\textsuperscript{nd} Hitler’s body found
- May 7\textsuperscript{th} Germany Surrenders
- V-E Day (Victory in Europe) May 8\textsuperscript{th} 1945
War Ends in the Pacific
Final Battles

- **Iwo Jima**
  - February 1945
  - Air base to strike Japan
  - Month long battle
  - 7,000 U.S. soldiers killed
- **Okinawa**
  - April-June 1945
  - 350 miles from Japan
  - 12,000 U.S. deaths
  - President Truman decides to use Atom bomb on Japan instead of an invasion
Atomic Bomb

- Manhattan Project
  - Test Bomb in July 1945
- Hiroshima (August 6th, 1945)
- Nagasaki (August 9th)
- Japan Surrenders (August 15th) V-J Day
The Postwar World
Devastation of the War

- Tens of millions of dead
- Physical devastation of Eastern Europe (including Germany)
- National economies in collapse
- Scarce supplies of food, medicine & shelter
- Millions of people uprooted from their homes

### Military and Civilian Deaths in World War II

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Planning for the Future

- **Atlantic Charter**
  - 1941
  - Churchill & Roosevelt
  - Joint British U.S. goals
- **Tehran Conference**
  - 1943
  - Churchill, Stalin & Roosevelt
  - Scheduled D-Day invasion
Yalta and Potsdam

- **Yalta Conference**
  - Plan for postwar Europe
  - Russia to declare war on Japan
  - Germany divided into occupation zones

- **Potsdam Conference**
  - July 1945
  - Ill-will between U.S. & Soviet Union

- **United Nations**
  - UN Charter June 1945
  - Security Council (Britain, France, U.S., Soviet Union & China)