

Why did World War II start? (Lesson 2)



Last lesson, we started to explore World War II, focusing on Adolf Hitler.

- Today, we will be creating an information page on the start of the war.



LATEST PRICES

ITS CLEAR
Nicholson's
Gin
ITS GOOD

Evening Standard

LATE NIGHT FINAL
La Coquette

Established 1827
No. 33,000 LONDON, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1939 ONE PENNY

**GERMANS INVADE
AND BOMB POLAND
BRITAIN MOBILISES**

*Warsaw, Cracow, Nine Other Towns
Bombed: Danzig is "Annexed"*

FRANCE DECLARES "STATE OF SIEGE"

GERMANY INVADED POLAND TO-DAY. COMPLETE MOBILISATION HAS BEEN ORDERED IN BRITAIN.

Orders in Council for the complete mobilisation of the Navy, Army and Air Force were signed by the King at a Privy Council today. The King also approved other Orders in Council dealing with the emergency. Warsaw has been bombed. Other German aircraft raided Kuesk, Gdynia, Thorn, Bialystok, Grodno, Dabka and Bydgoszcz. A few hours later, Cracow, Katowice and Czestochowa were bombed.

"BRITAIN WILL FULFIL HER OBLIGATIONS"

Parliament Meeting Tonight

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS MET AT 7.15 P.M. TO CONSIDER THE STATE OF THE NATION.

There are four key reasons we will focus on:

Conflicts around the world



The 1930's depression

The First World War

Adolf Hitler



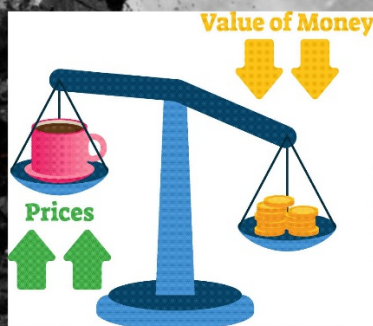
Conflicts around the world

During the 1930's there were many wars erupting around the world. Civil war had broken out in Spain. Japan and China were at war and Germany started to reclaim what it saw as its land.



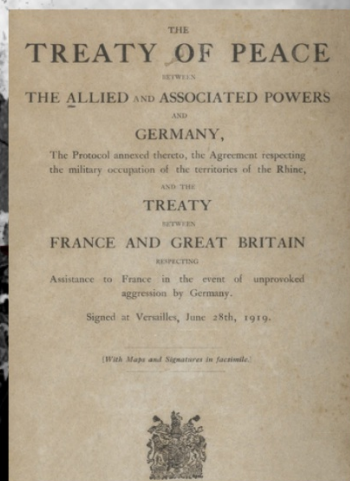
The 1930's depression

During the 1930's, millions of people lost their jobs around the world. Money became hard to find and so did food. It became so bad in one town called Jarrow that some men marched to London to tell the Prime Minister how unhappy they were. Banks closed and people lost their savings. In Germany, a whole suitcase of money could only buy a basket of shopping.



The First World War

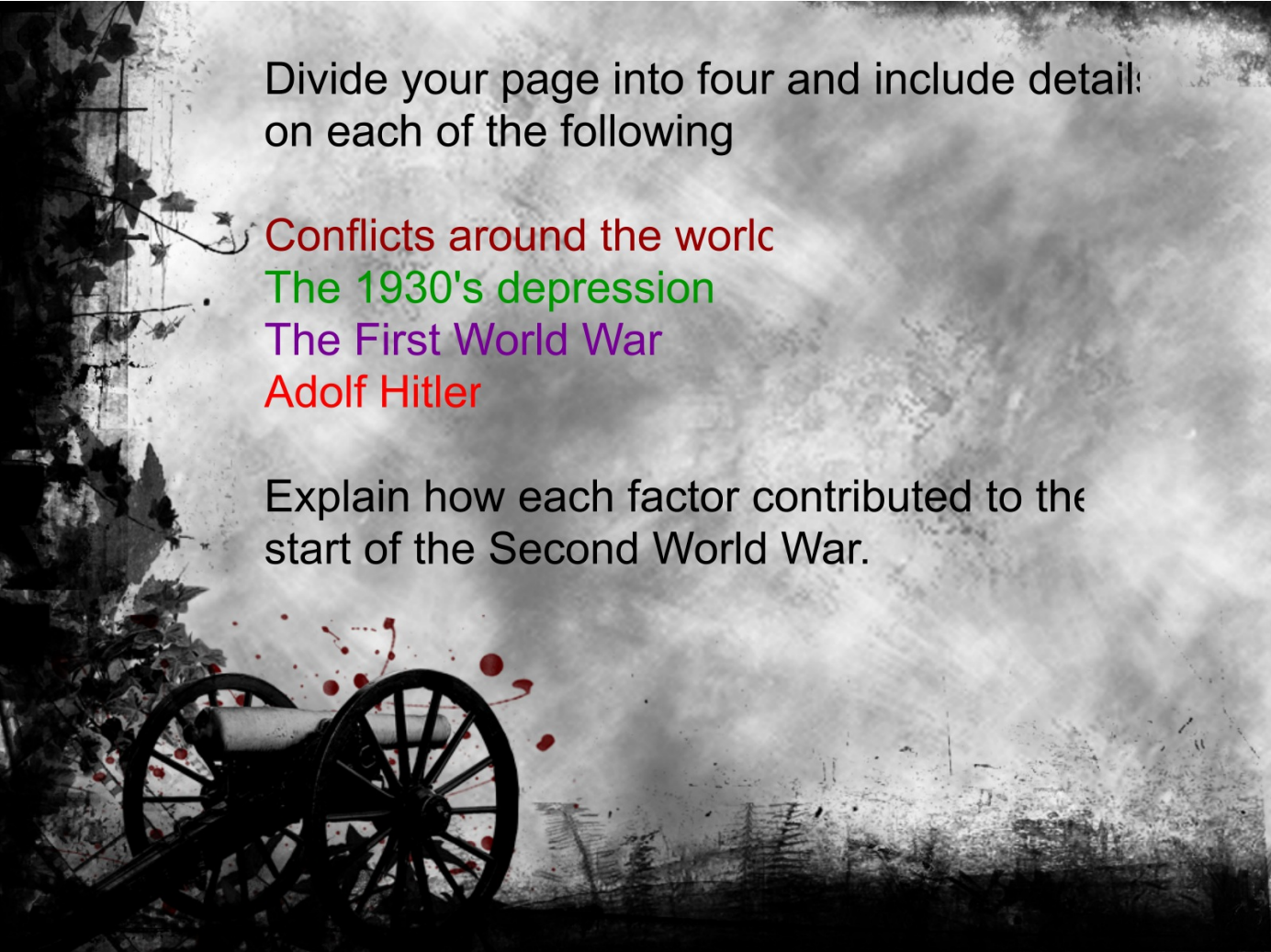
Germany lost the First World War to Britain and her allies. Germany had to pay a fine, over £6 000 000, for starting the war and give up some of its land and could only have a few soldiers and a small navy. They also had to sign rules on how to behave, this was called 'The Treaty of Versailles'. Many Germans thought the treaty was too harsh and that their leaders had let them down by agreeing to it.



Adolf Hitler

Adolf Hitler became leader of a party of people called Nazis. They believed that Germany should take the land back that they had to give away after the First World War. He told people if they followed him they would have jobs. He said he would reclaim land and money for the German people. He became very powerful and if you did not agree with his ideas, you may have ended up dead!





Divide your page into four and include details on each of the following

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Adolf Hitler

Explain how each factor contributed to the start of the Second World War.

