# CHRONOLOGY OF WORLD WAR II

Directions: Put the following events in chronological order beginning with the first event. Write the dates (month <if available> and year) on the right side of the events.

_____ Hitler commits suicide

_____ Japan attacks naval base at Pearl Harbor

_____ Battle of Britain begins

_____ US drops atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki

_____ US declares war on Japan (official entry into WWII)

_____ Battle of the Bulge

_____ Battle of Midway

_____ Nuremburg Trials

_____ Battle at Guadalcanal

_____ FDR dies

_____ V-E Day (Victory in Europe)

_____ Normandy (D-Day) Invasion

_____ Battle for Iwo Jima

_____ Formation of the United Nations

_____ Trinity Project tested

_____ Germany invades Poland

# War Casualties—World War II

Directions: Given below are estimated numbers of military personnel and civilians who died in World War II, broken down by country. First, answer the questions about the figures. Then, use the figures to create a bar graph or pie chart of war casualties.

| Country | DEATHS IN WORLD WAR II | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| | Military deaths | Civilian deaths |
| Soviet Union | 7,500,000 | 15,000,000 |
| Germany | 2,850,000 | 500,000[a] |
| Japan | 1,500,000 | 300,000 |
| China | 500,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Great Britain | 400,000 | 65,000 |
| United States | 290,000 | [b] |
| France | 210,000 | 110,000 |
| Italy | 80,000 | 100,000 |
| Others | 1,500,000 | 16,000,000[c] |

[a] Jewish Holocaust deaths are included in "Others."     [c] Includes victims of Jewish Holocaust, Poles, and others

[b] Figures are not available; losses were quite small.

1. Which country had the greatest loss of life?

2. How many military deaths did the Axis Powers included in the figures above suffer?

3. How many military deaths did the Allied countries included in the figures above suffer?

4. Which country had the greatest number of civilian deaths?
   What accounts for this? _____

5. Which country had the second-greatest number of civilian deaths?
   What accounts for this? _____

6. Which country had very few civilian deaths?
   What accounts for this? _____

7. Which countries were Axis? _____