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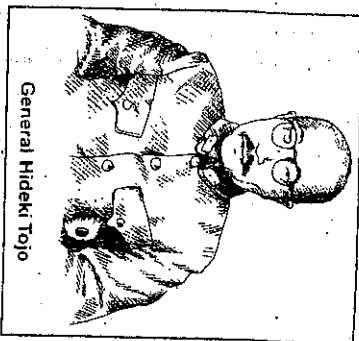
The Japanese Dictator

General Hideki Tojo was the Prime Minister of Japan and its Minister of War. He issued orders in Emperor Hirohito's name.

Tojo and the other military advisors wanted more land for Japan's growing population. They also wanted resources like rubber and oil that could be found in Southeast Asia.

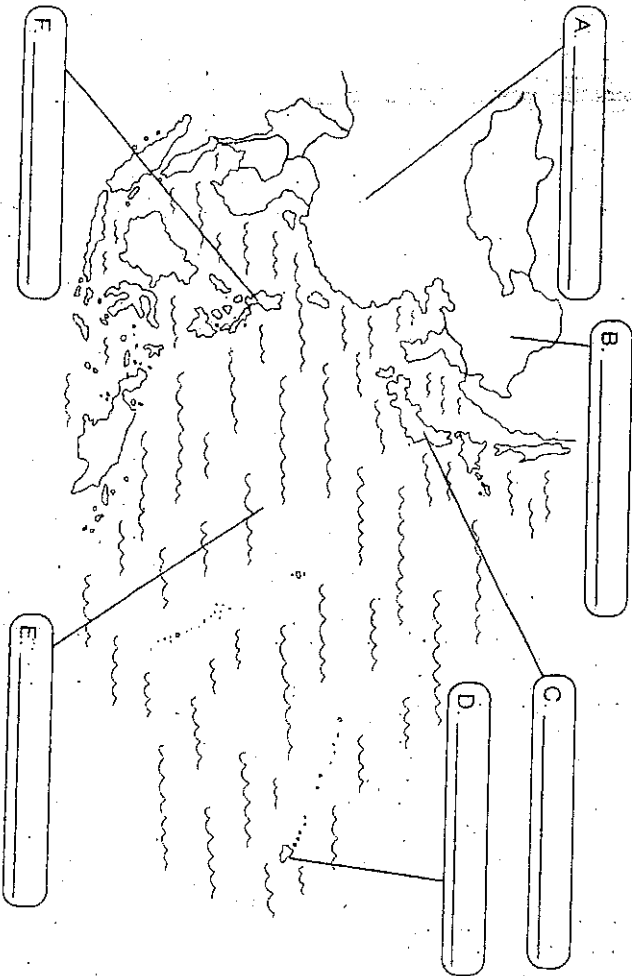
In 1931, Japan invaded Manchuria. In 1937, Japan began a full-scale invasion of China. Ten million Chinese people died. Japan invaded Indochina in 1940.

In the fall of 1941, the United States negotiated with Japan to pull its troops out of China and other southeastern Asian countries. They refused. So the United States and Britain stopped selling oil and other goods to Japan. Japan resented this interference; in retaliation, Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, a United States naval base in Hawaii on December 7, 1941. America was suddenly drawn into World War II.



General Hideki Tojo

Use an atlas or reference book to label Japan, Manchuria, China, the Pacific Ocean, the Hawaiian Islands, and the Philippine Islands.

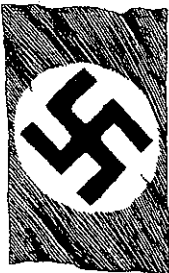


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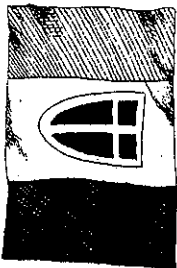
Which Dictator?

Use what you have learned on the previous pages about Adolf Hitler, Benito Mussolini, and Hideki Tojo. Then read each statement below and decide if Hitler, Mussolini, or Tojo could have said it. In front of each statement, write an "M" for Mussolini, a "T" for Tojo, or an "H" for Hitler.

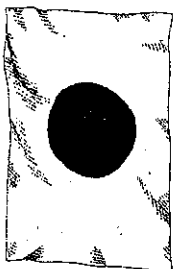
1. Germans are superior to all other Europeans.
2. I issue orders in Emperor Hirohito's name.
3. I will create a great Italian empire.
4. I invaded Albania, a country across the Adriatic Sea from Italy, in 1939.
5. I am the leader of the National Socialist German Workers Party.
6. My country bombed Pearl Harbor and brought America into World War II.
7. To create my Italian empire, I first attacked Ethiopia in 1935.
8. The Jews are to blame for Germany's problems.
9. I want more land for Japan's growing population.
10. I started the National Fascist Party.
11. I began a full-scale invasion of China in 1937.
12. Hitler and I will rule Europe.
13. I started World War II when I invaded Poland in 1939.
14. I want the oil and rubber that can be found in Southeast Asia.
15. I invaded Austria and Czechoslovakia before I took over Poland.



GERMANY



ITALY



JAPAN