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Chapter 20, World War I

• explain the causes, progress, and outcomes of the world wars, discussing the events of World War I and the Russian Revolution.

Unit Objectives

After studying this unit, students will be able to:
• describe how events leading to World War I and the Russian Revolution are connected to the relationships of the world at that time
• describe the economic and political impacts of the world War I

Start with a Brief History Lesson

Since the beginning of the century, nations around the globe have been involved in war. Two great conflicts dominated the history of the twentieth century. The first, World War I, was fought in Europe from 1914 to 1918. The second, World War II, was fought from 1939 to 1945.

Then draw their attention to the title of the unit and the photographs on page 316. Ask students to identify Communist leaders. You may wish to call on students to read aloud one or more paragraphs that follow the title of the unit and the photographs on page 316. Tell students that we will be focusing on the war world.

• Which conflict lasted longer, World War I or the Korean War?

Ask students to use the timeline to answer the questions:

1. When did World War I begin?
2. When did the Cold War begin?
3. When did the Korean War begin?

Refer to page 334 for a summary of Chapter 20.

Concept Web

World Map

Three-Column Chart

World War I Map

Measuring Time

• How long did the Cold War last?
• When did Great Britain and France back out of their earlier promises to allow free elections in nations of Eastern Europe?
• When did the United States and the Soviet Union agree to divide the German-occupied area of Poland?

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Encourage students to use the images and images and interactive timeline to envision a post-WWII world. Students may be interested in the lessons learned from World War I and the rising tide of nationalism that began in the years between the wars.

Chapter Summary

The Great War, 1914–1918

The war world.

World War II

World War II was fought in Europe from 1939 to 1945. The war began with the invasion of Poland by the Nazi German army and ended with the defeat of Germany and Japan. Between the wars, there was a short interlude, known as the “interwar period.”

The Photograph on page 318 is of German soldiers who have dug a trench and set up their weapons to protect them from the advancing army. German troops, who felt that they were better prepared than the other countries, began the war with a Blitzkrieg—“lightning war.”

The war was fought on two fronts: the Eastern Front and the Western Front.

The Eastern Front

The Eastern Front was the largest front in World War II. It included eastern Europe, eastern Asia, and Russia. It was also the longest front in World War II. The war began in Europe in 1939 and ended in 1945.

The Western Front

The Western Front was the main front in World War II. It included western Europe and the Middle East. The war began in 1939 and ended in 1945.

The Pacific Front

The Pacific Front was the third front in World War II. It included the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean, and the Indian subcontinent. The war began in 1941 and ended in 1945.

The Pacific War

The Pacific War was the war fought in the Pacific Ocean and the Indian Ocean. It began in 1941 and ended in 1945.

The European War

The European War was the war fought in Europe. It began in 1939 and ended in 1945.

The Soviet Union

The Soviet Union was the largest country in the world. It was also the most powerful country in the world. The Soviet Union was a communist country. It was ruled by a communist party. The party was led by a communist leader. The leader was Joseph Stalin.

The United States

The United States was a democratic country. It was ruled by a democratic party. The party was led by a democratic leader. The leader was Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The United Nations

The United Nations was an international organization. It was formed after World War II to promote peace and cooperation among nations.

The Cold War

The Cold War was a period of tension between the United States and the Soviet Union. It lasted from 1947 to 1991.

The Berlin Wall

The Berlin Wall was a wall that divided Berlin, Germany, into two parts. It was built by the Soviet Union in 1961 to keep people from leaving East Berlin.

The Cuban Missile Crisis

The Cuban Missile Crisis was a crisis in the Cold War. It began in 1962 and ended in 1962.

The Korean War

The Korean War was a war fought in Korea. It began in 1950 and ended in 1953.

The Vietnam War

The Vietnam War was a war fought in Vietnam. It began in 1955 and ended in 1975.

The War in the Middle East

The War in the Middle East was a series of wars fought in the Middle East. It began in 1979 and ended in 1988.

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