World War II
1939-1945

Causes:
- Rise of fascism
- Political instability and economic devastation

Lend-Lease Act
Feb. 1941
- U.S. would send war supplies and military equipment to European allies
- Help win the war without committing U.S. troops to fight

Pearl Harbor
December 7, 1941
- Surprise attack by Japan in hopes of crippling the U.S. military
- U.S. physically entered WWII

Allied Powers:
- England
- Russia
- France
- United States

Axis Powers:
- Germany
- Italy
- Japan