Agenda – 2/3

Share about our weekends! WWII intro!

HW: read and notes - Ch 24 Sec 1

World War Two: long-term causes

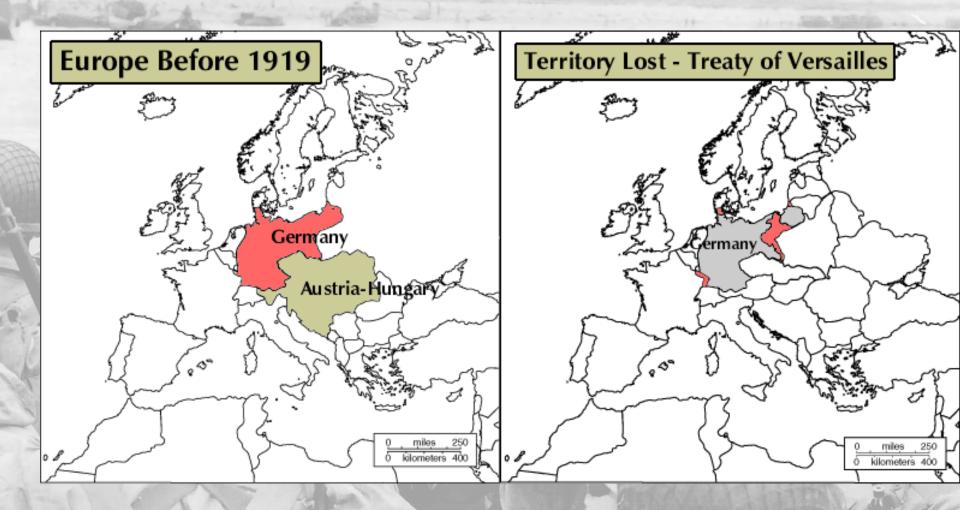
- 1. Treaty of Versailles
- 2. Failure of the League of Nations
- 3. Worldwide Depression
- 4. The Rise of Fascist Dictators

Treaty of Versailles

What was it?

- Treaty to end WWI
- Placed all the blame on Germany
 - Made them pay war reparations (debts), reduced the military, de-occupied the Rhineland (land between France and Germany), took away land...
- Predict: How did it lead to WWII?

Versailles Treaty



Failure of the League of Nations

The US returned to its isolationist stance after WWI. **Why**?

- Great Depression
- · Loss of life in WWI
- Unhappy with WWI
- Rise in nativism

Failure of the League of Nations



Failure of the League of Nations

- This was intended to keep the peace, but it failed, because the USA didn't join, and Italy and Germany backed out
- It had no "teeth" –
 no way to enforce
 its rules



Worldwide Depression

In Germany, too!
German currency loses value after WWI

- →Germany prints more money to pay reparations
- → hyperinflation

How would this lead to WWII?



Rise of Fascist Dictators



Prime Minister of

Italy (1922)



Hideki Tojo becomes Prime Minister of Japan (1941)

Benito Mussolini - "Il Duce"

- Mussolini takes over Italy (1922)
 - Forced the King of Italy to declare him ruler!
- Military expansion and extreme nationalism
 - Children enrolled in military organizations; taught loyalty to Italy
 - Began attacking and taking over nearby lands (in Africa)



Adolf Hitler - "Der Führer"

- Hitler gains complete power in Germany, wants to unite all German-speaking people and create a "Master Race"
- National Socialist German Workers Party
 - Nationalsozialistiche Deutsche Arbeiterpartei (Nazis)



Hideki Tojo

- Emperor Hirohito and Hideki Tojo
 - Thought economic problems could be solved by taking over land
 - Wanted colonies with more natural resources
 - 1931, conquered Manchuria, China
 - League of Nations: no wait plz don't but okay





Germany and Italy support Fascist revolution in Spain

Joseph Stalin - "Man of Steel"

- Communist
- Collective farms
 - Large farms, monoculture
 - State-run industry
 - The state controls what and how to produce
- Very paranoid kills all opposition
 - In the Gulags!



Quick Discussion

Wait... why were all of these countries turning to totalitarian leaders?

• <u>Totalitarian</u> = complete rule by a single party and its leader, in which all aspects of people's lives are controlled without opposition

-- what things did these countries have in common leading up to WWII?

WWII: Trigger causes

After all of that happened...

*appeasement by Western Powers and aggression by Germany

CAUSES OF WWII



- Appeasement by Europe and the United States
 - Appeasement: to give in or allow something to happen in order to "keep the peace"



Aggression by Germany

Wanting to keep the peace in order to avoid conflict

 Why would Britain, France, the USA, and the USSR (formerly Russia) practice this policy?

- Britain: realized the Treaty of Versailles was too harsh toward Germany and was sympathetic
 - British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain
- · France: would not act without Britain
- <u>US</u>: returning to its isolationist stance why?
 - Passed the Neutrality Acts banned sale of weapons to nations at war
- <u>USSR</u>: undergoing the "Great Purge" under Stalin...



What would this make Hitler think?

Aggression

Germany becomes **aggressive**.

 Need *lebensraum* ("living space") to build its civilization for the "Master Race"











Quick Discussion

Chamberlain (British PM) said regarding the **Munich Pact**

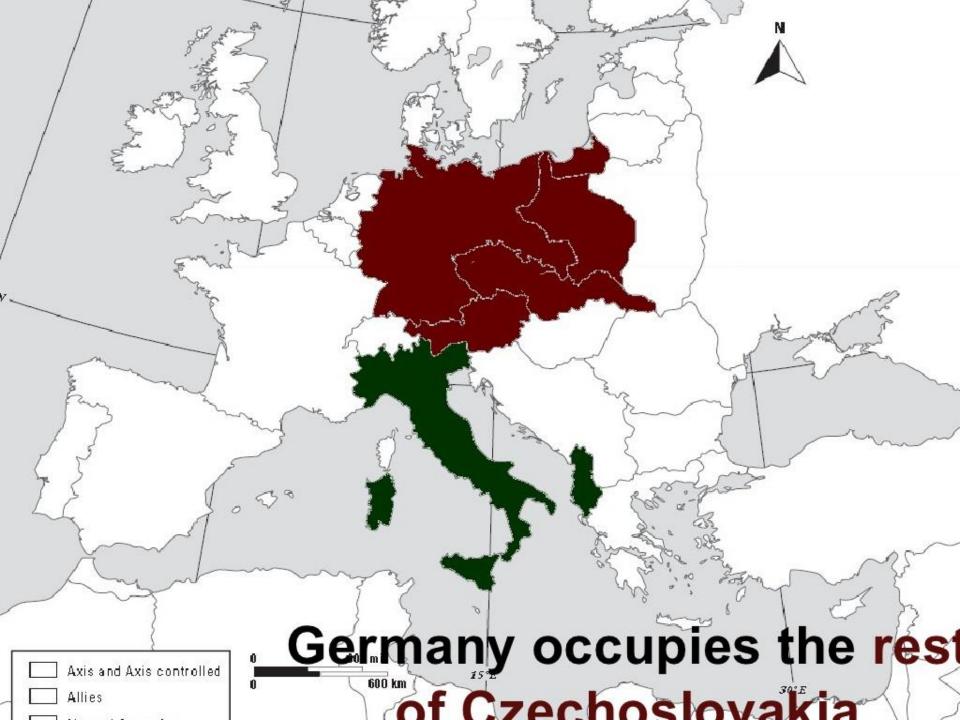
"The agreement establishes peace for our time"

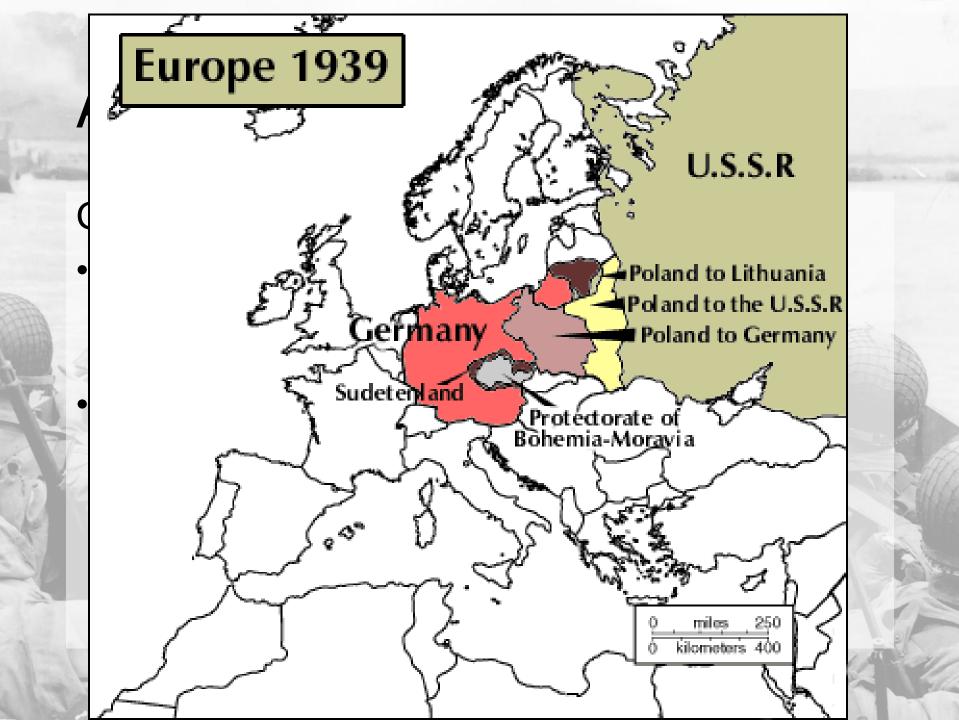
What do you think that means? Do you agree or disagree?

Aggression

- "If ever that silly old man comes interfering here again with his umbrella, I'll kick him downstairs and jump on his stomach in front of the photographers".
- Hitler on Chamberlain

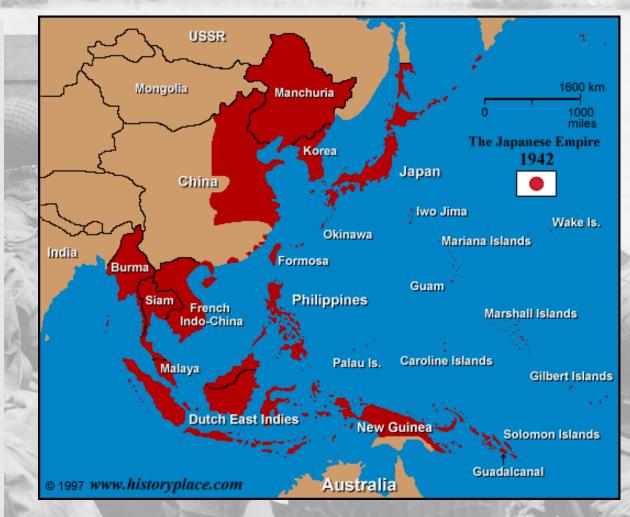






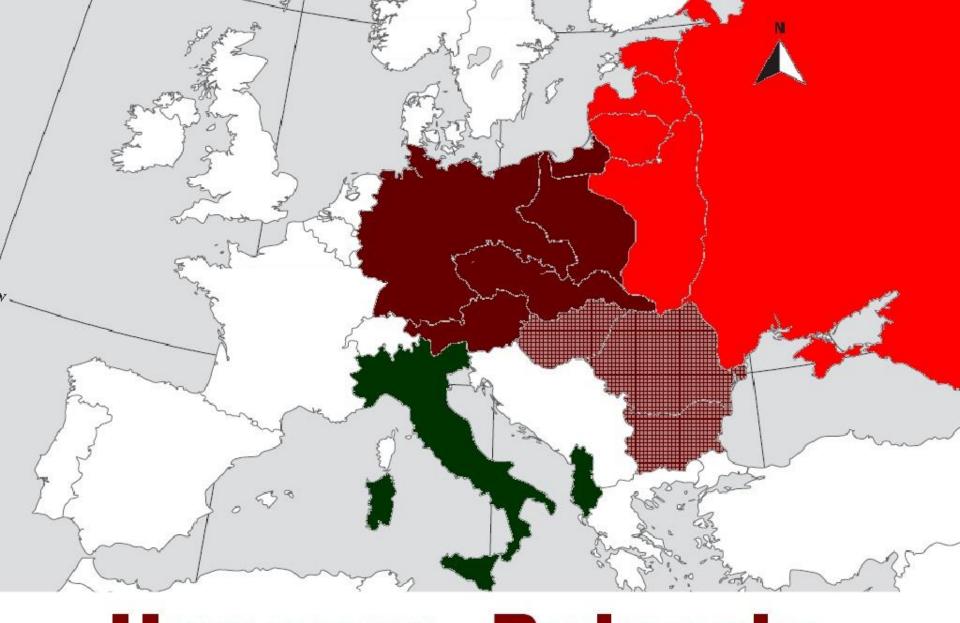
Japan's imperial aggressions, too!

- Empire of the Rising Sun
- Invaded Manchuria in 1931
- Tripartite
 Act mutual
 defense
 agreement
 between
 Germany,
 Italy, and
 Japan

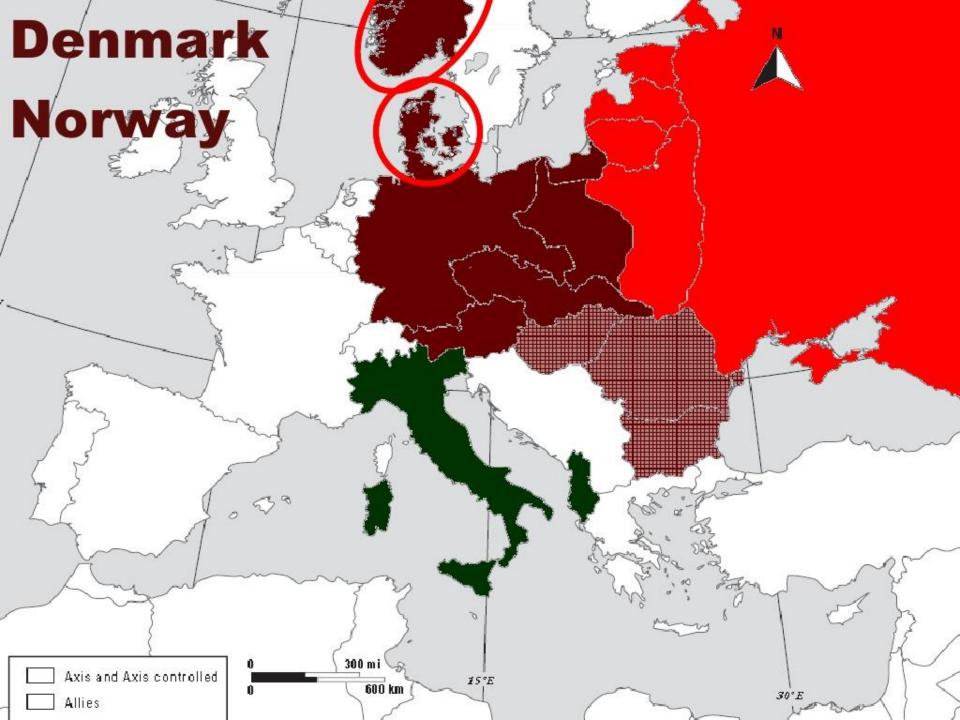


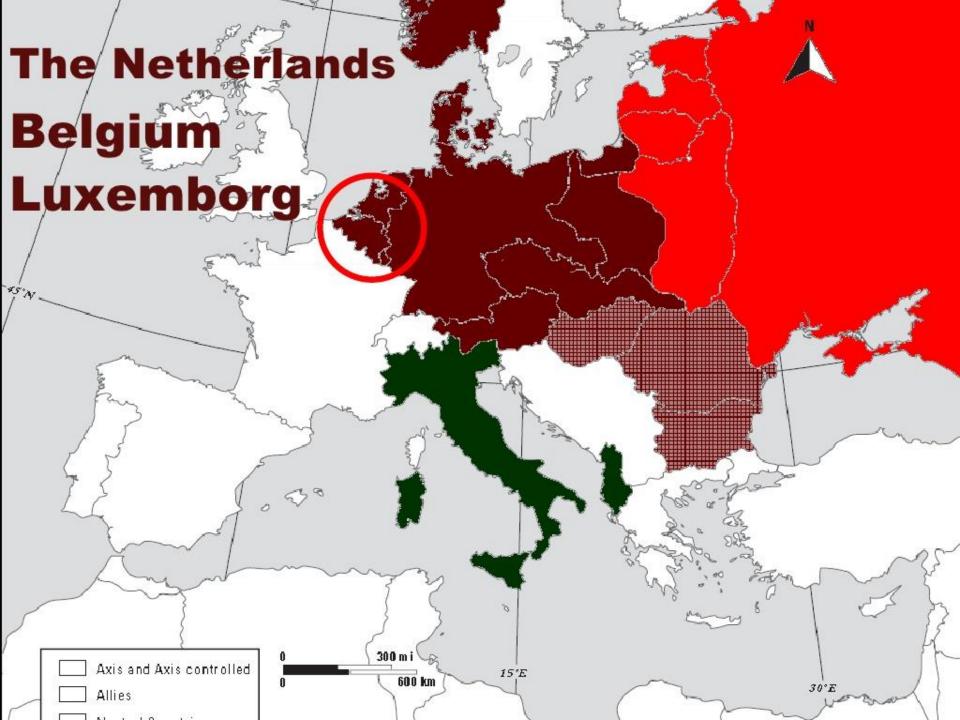
Germany, Italy, and Japan together form the **Axis Powers**

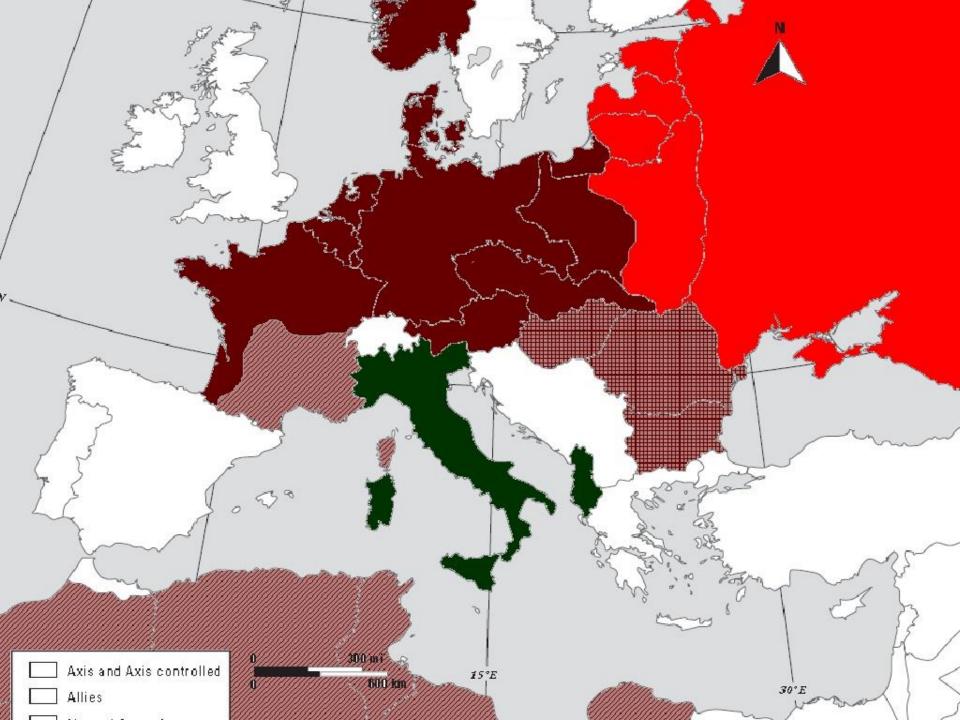




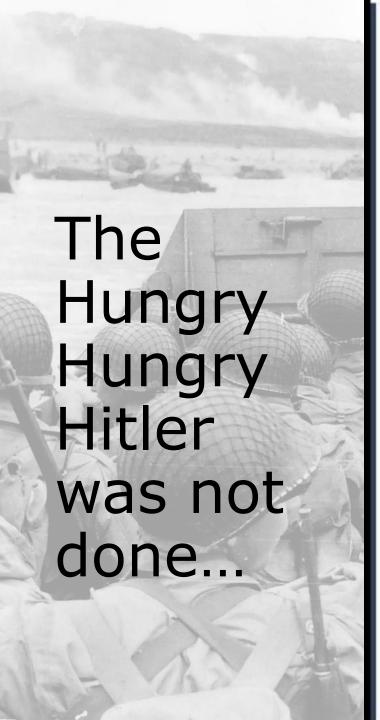
Hungary, Bulgaria, Romania ioin the Avis











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god i hope my history teacher doesnt get extremely offended by this

we have to adapt a story to be about something weve been studying and read it to the class

my group is doing the very hungry hitler

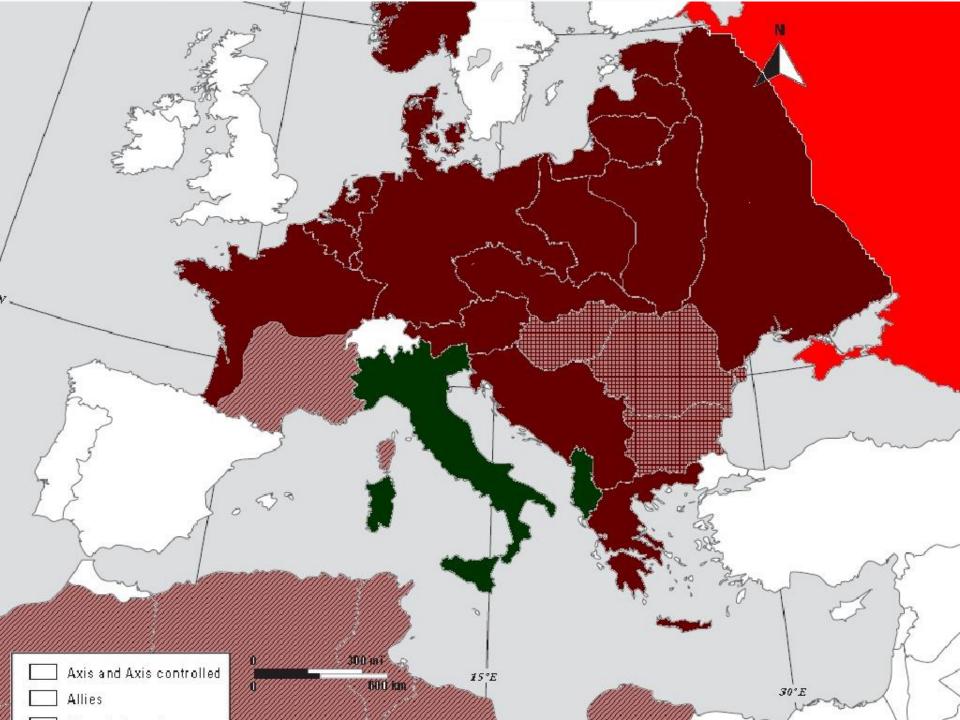


OH MY GOD

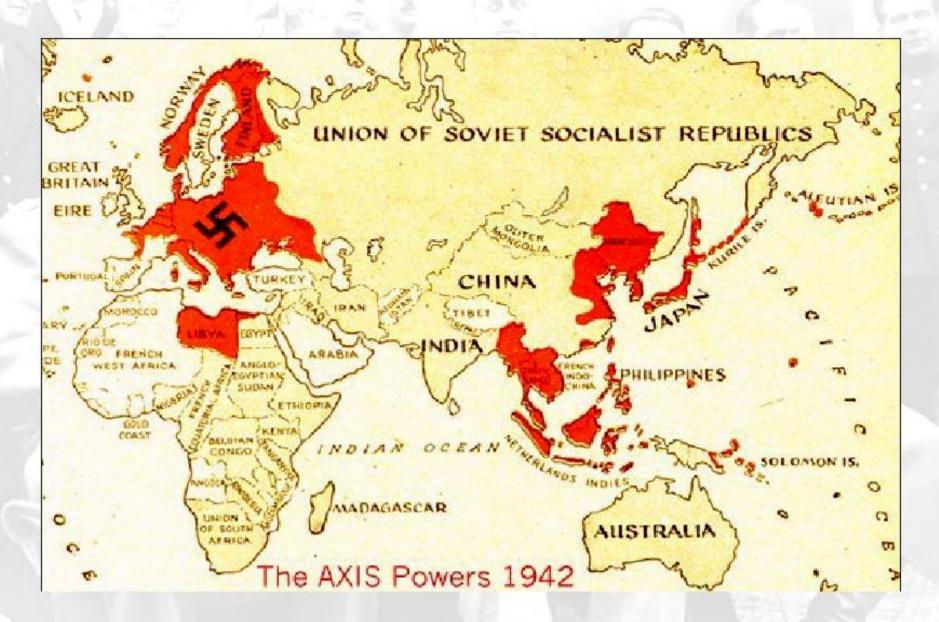
so hitler took poland

but he was still hungry





Axis Powers in 1942



So, who were the main people in the Axis and Allied Powers?