WWII Ends Activity

1: Operation Barbarossa

1. This was Germany’s plan to invade \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. At the beginning of the invasion, who seemed to be winning?
3. Define: scorched-earth policy- (you can use your phone if you need to)

Why do you think the Soviet’s used the scorched-earth policy against the Germans?

1. Battle of Leningrad—what was Germany’s strategy against the city?
2. Did the Germans every take the city of Moscow? Explain.

2: Operation Barbarossa Images

1. Using the map, when did the invasion of Russia begin?
2. Looking back on what you read about this invasion, describe what that winter was like. Why was this significant?
3. Using the cartoon, “Russian Winter” is sitting on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. What does Dr. Seuss mean by this?
4. Look at “You and Me” and what they are saying. What message is the cartoonist, Dr. Seuss, trying to get across the American people who would see this cartoon?

3: War in the Pacific

1. By the spring of 1942, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were masters of the South Pacific.
2. Explain the significance of the Battle of Midway.
3. Why do you think the Battle of Midway was turning point of the war in the Pacific? (ask if you are not sure)
4. Define: island hopping-
5. Define: kamikaze-

4: Instructions for Kamikaze Pilots

1. Read the primary source document. This is what a Japanese kamikaze would read before he takes action. Do you think these instructions were helpful to them? Explain.
2. Why do you think the Japanese had pilots that were willing to do this?

5: Turning Point in Europe

1. D-Day took place on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (date). It was the plan to attack at the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (location). It was officially given the code name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Why was Germany not prepared for this attack?
3. What does D-Day stand for? (ask or use your phone to look it up)

6: D-Day Images/Quotes

1. Look at the image on the bottom right. This is what the beachheads at Normandy looked like. How does it make this battle more difficult for the Allies?
2. What did General Eisenhower and Prime Minister Churchill say about the plan?
3. Based on what Eisenhower said, how do you think this influenced the amount of planning and manpower that went into D-Day?

7: Yalta Conference

1. The Big Three:
2. The USSR agreed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. In return, they were promised land in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. What as the plan for Germany?

Why do you suppose they did this? (hint: think back to the end of WWI)

1. Why would they propose the creation of the United Nations?

8: End of WWII

1. Fill the chart yourself.
2. Why do you suppose WWII ended in Europe before it ended in the Pacific?
3. Do you think it is possible for a WWIII to occur? Explain your answer.