

US Army History "Fill in the Blank" Note Sheet

World War II and the Normandy Beach Landings

The Importance of *Selfless Service*: _____

1. After World War I, the following nations adopted new forms of government:
_____ (Communism), _____ (Fascism), _____ (Militant Nationalism),
_____ (Fascism).
2. In 1938, Joseph Stalin proposed a 10-year non-aggression pact with Germany, which secretly divided _____. On 1 September 1939, Germany invaded _____.
3. In response _____ and _____ declared war on Germany, which started _____.
4. Germany conducted several swift invasions across Europe using _____ tactics.
5. In September 1940, _____ joined the Axis Powers.
6. Meanwhile, the US passed the _____ act to provide material aid to Britain, China, and Russia.
7. On 7 December 1941, _____ bombs Pearl Harbor, bringing the United States into the war.
8. In 1942, Germany and Russia fight over the city of _____.
9. Needing to liberate the European mainland, the Allies decide to land on _____ beaches. This was called Operation _____.
10. During the winter of 1944, the weather severely affects both sides; because of this, Hitler launched a counterattack, called the _____. Hitler's intent was to _____ the allied armies.
11. Victory in Europe was declared on _____.
12. Instead of launching a bloody campaign on the Japanese Mainland, the decision was made to use _____, the first use of this new weapon.