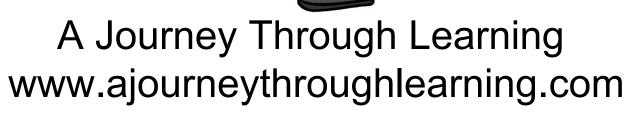
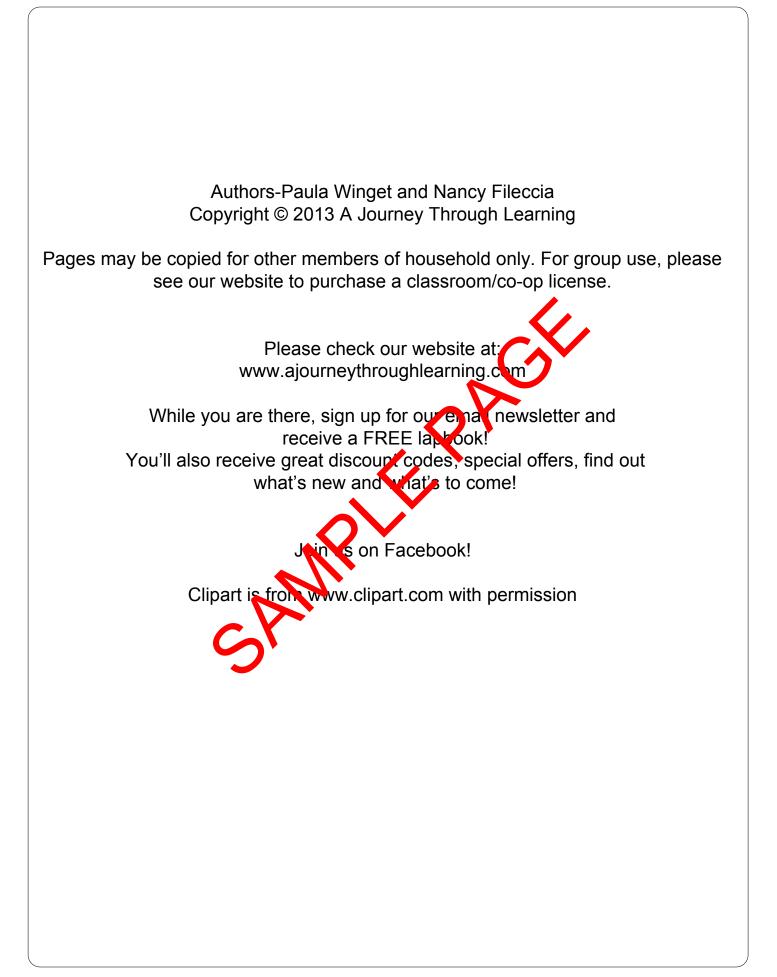
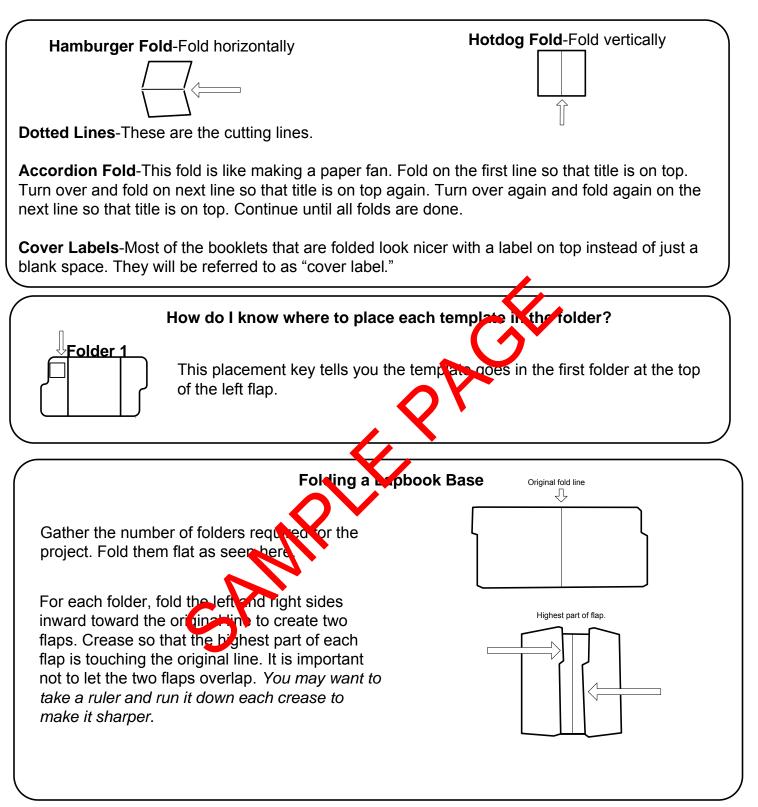


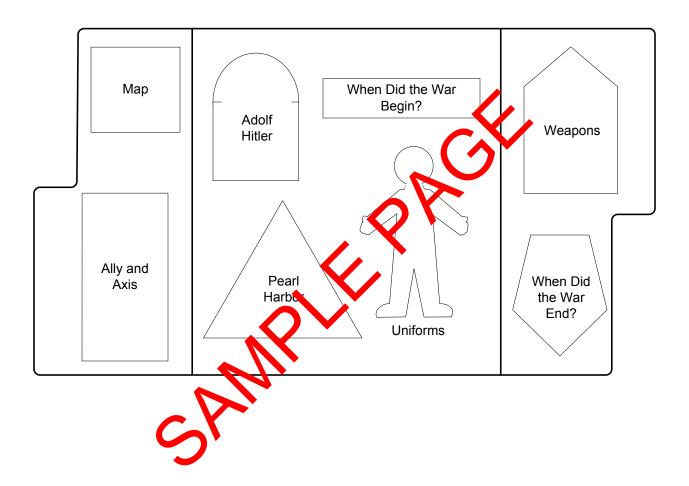
World War II Express Lapbook

Mini Lapbook, Study Guides, Activities, and Games









Complete the Scene

Cut out the scene on the dotted line. Glue on to the front of your lapbook. Draw what you think the bombing of Pearl Harbor would have looked like.



World War II

World War II, also known as the Second World War, was fought from 1939-1945. Many countries took sides in this devastating war, either joining the Axis powers or the Allies. The Axis countries were Germany, Italy, Japan, Hungary, and Bulgaria. The Allies countries were Britain, the USSR,, the United States, New Zealand, Brazil, France, Belgium, Canada, the Netherlands, Greece, Yugoslavia, Denmark, China, So. Africa, and Norway.

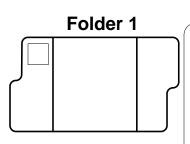
In 1933, Adolf Hitler was elected as the new leader of the German people. He called his political party the National Socialists or Nazis. Because of its defeat in World War I, Germany was forced to give up land and prohibited to have an army. Hitler promised to make his country great once more. With armed German soldiers, Hitler plotted to invade other countries and forcibly taking their land.

The war began in earnest on Friday, September 1, 1959, with the invasion of Poland. Over a million German soldiers and tanks stormed overland into Poland, while Stuka dive bombers flew overhead as support Britain and France responded by declaring war on Germany but did little to help Poland. A year later, Germany invaded Denmark, Norway, Belgium, the Netherlands, and France. Germany had no problems taking over these countries. Germany then launched an unsuccessful air attack on Britain.

In Asia, Japan was expanding its enpire. They attacked China and captured Taiwan. On December 7, 1941 Japan attacked the American fleet stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. They ordered the attack in order to stop the United States from defending its islands and other countries in the Pacific Ocean. America and Britain declared war on Japan. As a result, Germany—helping out its Japanese ally—declared war on America. Now America was at war with both Japan *and* Germany!

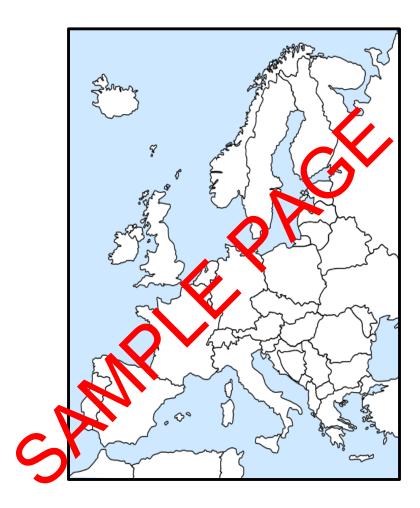
Germany then turned its eyes toward an invasion of the USSR, a very big country. This would prove to be one of Germany's major downfalls. By 1944, the USSR had completely rid their country of the German forces and had forced them to retreat all the way back to Germany. In 1945, the Germans surrendered to the Soviets.

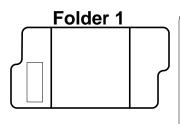
On August 6, 1945, President Harry Truman gave the order to drop an Atomic bomb on Hiroshima, a city in Japan. Three days later, another "A- bomb", as the Atomic bomb was called, was dropped on the city of Nagasaki, also in Japan. The Japanese surrendered on August 15. With the surrender of both Germany and Japan, World War II finally came to an end.



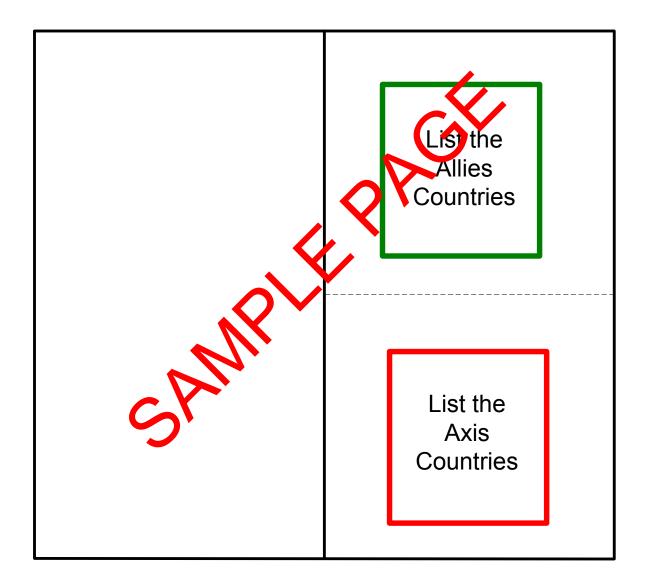
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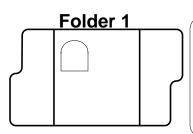
Directions: Find and color Germany red. Even though you are going to have a chance in the next booklet to write of all the countries involved in the war, you might want to see which ones of those you can find on this map.





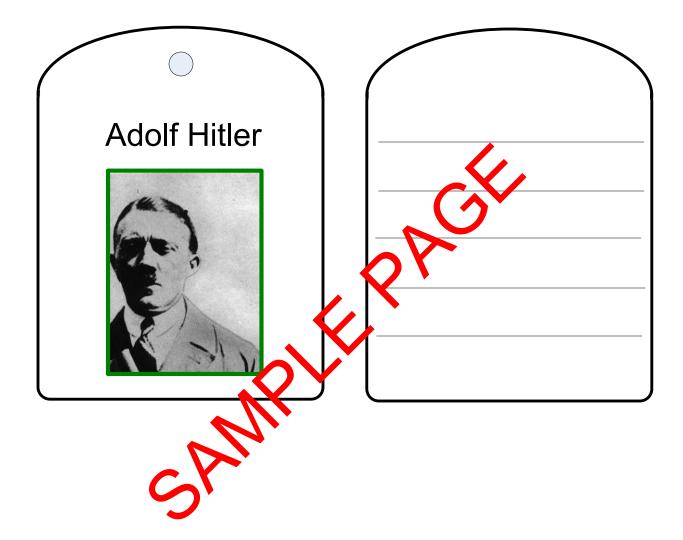
Cut out the booklet. Cut on the dotted line to make two flaps. Fold up the bottom flaps on the middle line. Glue into lapbook. **Directions:** Under each flap, list the countries of the Allies and the Axis. See if you can find them on a globe or world map.

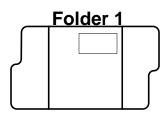




Cut out each piece on this page. Stack with title on top. Fasten together at the top with a brad (or staple). Glue into lapbook.

Directions: On the booklet, write what you have learned about Adolf Hitler.





Cut out the booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Glue into lapbook.

Directions: Inside of the booklet, write the date the war began.

