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## **Concept Question**

## Europe in Crisis: Class 6 - Germany Ascending

- 1 Which of the following countries suffered the most because of the Great Depression? France, Germany or the USSR.
- 2 What did Hitler mean when he refered to "living space?"
- 3 World War II starts when Germany invades Poland. What two countries did Germany take over before Poland?
- 4 Where was the Maginot Line built?
- 5 What year did Hitler invade Poland?
- 6 Give two reasons why the British and French did not go to war in after the invasion of Poland, despite their promise to defend Poland (there are many possible answers).
- 7 What military strategy did the Germans use during WWII?
- 8 What is the use of tanks in Blitzkrieg warfare? Why was German use of tanks revolutionary?
- 9 What year did Germany invade France? Was Germany successful?
- 10 In this year, who had a bigger army the Germans, or the combined forces of the British and the French?
- 11 Where was the Battle of Britain fought?
- 12 Who was Britain's leader during WWII?
- 13 What year did Germany invade the USSR?
- 14 Given the size of the German economy and the Soviet economy in 1941, who would you predict would win a war of attrition?
- 15 What were some misconceptions the Germans had about the Soviet Union?
- 16 In 1941, the US enters the war in Europe. Why?