

WORLD WAR TWO (WWII)



- Who were the 2 sides in WWII?
 - Countries
 - Leaders

Europe on the Eve of World War II, 1939

• The Allies

- Britain
- France
- Poland
- Belgium & other European countries
- Commonwealth countries e.g. Australia, New Zealand & Canada
- Countries in the British Empire e.g. India.
- Joined by the USSR and the USA in 1941.



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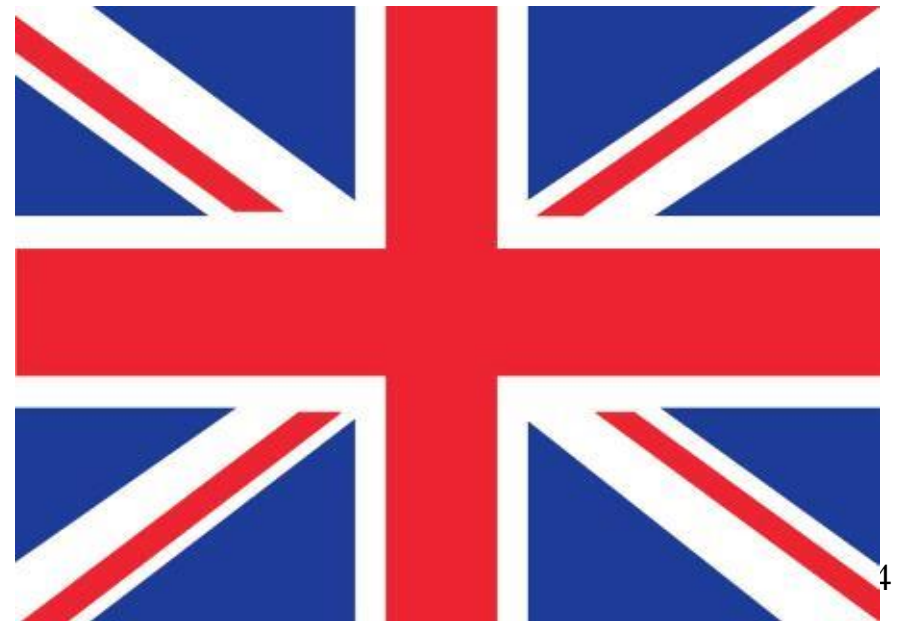


- **The Axis Powers**
- Germany
- Italy
- Japan

The Allies



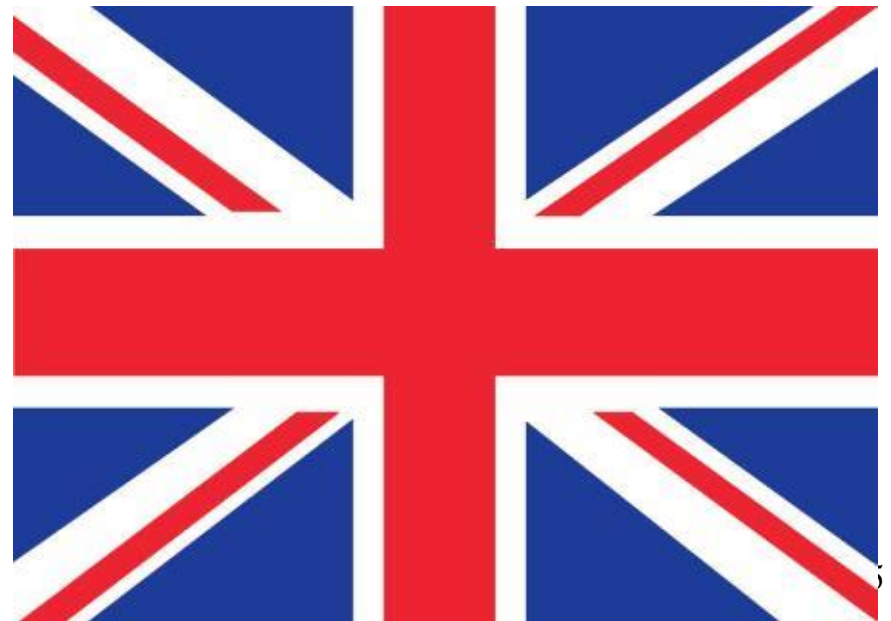
- Neville Chamberlain
- Prime Minister of Great Britain in September 1939 at start of WWII



The Allies



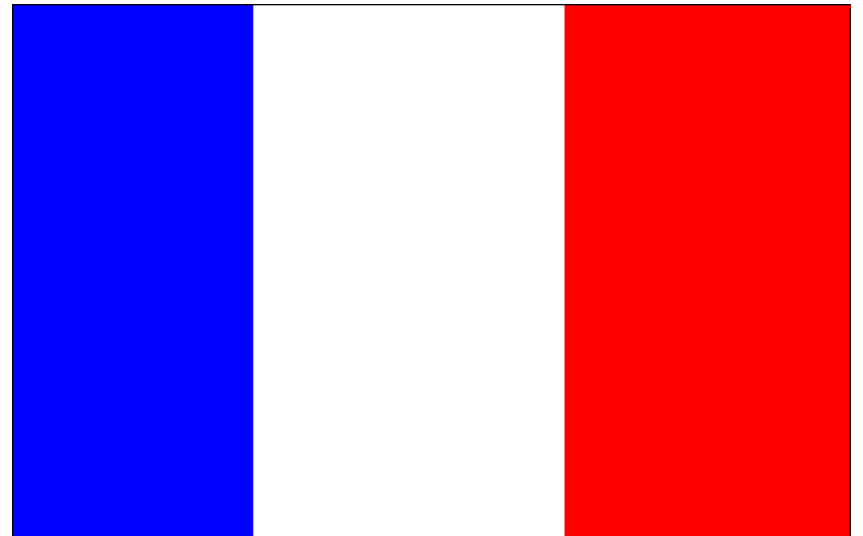
- Winston Churchill
- Prime Minister during most of the war, from 1940 to 1945



The Allies



- Charles de Gaulle
- French general who led the French in their fight against Germany. After WWII, he became president of France.



The Allies



- Joseph Stalin
- Communist dictator of Russia (1928-1953)



The Axis



- Adolf Hitler
- German dictator (1933-45) who planned & started WWII.



The Axis



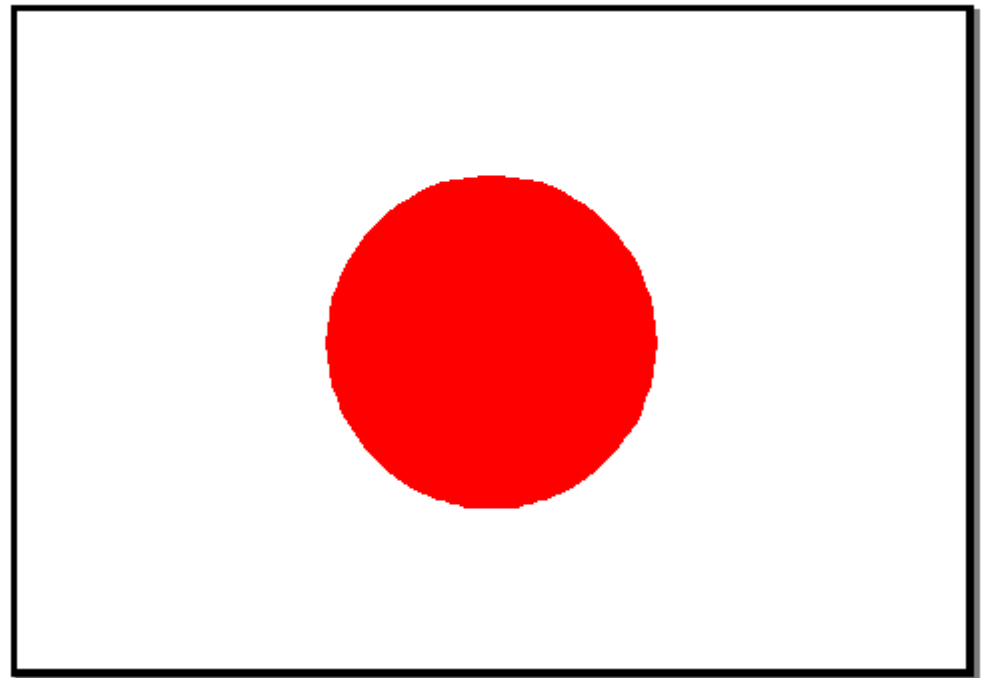
- Benito Mussolini
- Prime minister of Italy (1922-1943). He joined forces with Hitler to fight the Allied powers.



The Axis



- Hideki Tojo
- Prime minister of Japan (October 1941 - July 1944)



- Axis Powers
- Areas annexed by Germany, 1935-1939
- Neutral nations following outbreak of war
- Areas made protectorates of Germany, 1939
- Annexed by Italy, 1939

EUROPE, 1939

