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Activity

Applying the Lessons of a World at War

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to identify the main reasons why countries go to war.

Length

30 Minutes

Materials

[How Do Countries Decide Whether to Go to War?](#)

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[Why Did World War I Happen?](#)

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[Why Did World War II Happen?](#)

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Instructional Plan

Prep Work: For this activity, students should have viewed the following resources:

1. [How Do Countries Decide Whether to Go to War?](#)
2. [Why Did World War I Happen?](#)
3. [Why Did World War II Happen?](#)

Activity - Applying the Lessons of a World at War: Students will complete the attached worksheet in their groups. They will be asked to compare and contrast WWI and WWII and consider what lessons are important to carry forward.