

# Hitler's Lightning War

## Activity

Part A: Build Vocabulary  
Search internet for correct answers

Part B: Answer from presentation

# Who started World War II?

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What action sparked the war?

➤ Hitler's invasion of Poland

# Where did the war begin?

➤ Poland

When did the war begin?

➤ September, 1939



## Why did the war begin?

- Hitler had already taken over Rhineland, Austria, and Czechoslovakia before invading Poland.
- France and Britain had hoped to appease Hitler, but with his invasion of Poland, it became obvious that Hitler had to be stopped.

## How was the first attack conducted?

- Hitler used the strategy of blitzkrieg, or “lightning war.”
- Fast-moving airplanes and tanks, followed by massive infantry forces, conducted surprise attacks and quickly overwhelmed the enemy.

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