

AMERICANS IN WORLD WAR II

Victory in Europe

Objective 1:

Where did the Allied
offensive in Europe
begin?

- The Allied offensive in Europe began in Sicily and Italy.

Objective 2:

How did fighting in the Atlantic and in the air influence the land war in Europe?

- Sea dominance allowed the Allies to protect cargo ships and bomb Axis vessels.
- Strategic bombing from the air helped destroy German military factories and centers.

Objective 3:

How did the Allies
successfully carry out
the Normandy
invasion?

- invasion of German-occupied France (June 6 1944)
- disinformation campaign to distract Germans

- dummy invasion used as a decoy
- initial storming of beach caused high casualties
- ultimately successful

Objective 4:

What was the
Holocaust?

The Holocaust was Nazi Germany's slaughter of European Jews. The Germans took advantage of long-standing anti-Semitism and Allied inaction to do it.

Objective 5:

How did the Allies
finally defeat
Germany?

- September, 1944: Battle of the Bulge
- February, 1945: Yalta Conference
- early 1945: Allies bomb Germany

- March, 1945: Allies invade Germany
- April, 1945: Hitler commits suicide
- May, 1945: Germany surrenders

The End

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