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From Fascism to War

Terms, people, concepts:
Totalitarianism
Benito Mussolini
"March on Rome"
Aryan
Lebensraum
Sudetenland (German Czechoslovakia)
Munich Agreement (1938)
Nazi-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact

Adolph Hitler
Fascism
NSDAP (Nazis)
Anti-semitism
Anschluss (Annexation of Austria)
"Final Solution"
Sudetenland (in Czechoslovakia)

A Basic Chronology:
1914 Mussolini expelled from Italian Socialist Party for his pro-war stance
1914 Mussolini starts his own new newspaper *Il Popolo d'Italia*
1919 Formation of the first fascists groups (*Fasci Italiani de Combattimento*)
1921-22 Paralysis of parliamentary government in Italy
1922 "March on Rome': Mussolini comes to power as prime minister
1923 Abortive "beer hall putsch" led by Hitler in Munich
1926 By end of 1926, emergence of personal rule of Mussolini and Fascist monopoly
1929 Mussolini signs Lateran Pact with Papal authorities
1929 Beginning of worldwide depression
1930-33 Governmental crisis in Germany (rule by emergency decree)
1933 Hitler becomes Chancellor in Germany
1934 Reichstag fire leads to presidential decree suspending all basic civil rights
1935 Trade unions destroyed
1936 Legalization of NSDAP's monopoly
1937 Elimination of SA leadership and conservative critics of Nazi regime
1938 Enactment of Nuremberg Law against Jews and other minorities
1939 Hitler publicly rejects Versailles Treaty; announces rearmament
1936 Germany army occupies demilitarized Rhineland
1938 Munich Conferences followed by German invasion of Czechoslovakia
1939 Mass pogroms: "Crystal Night" (*Kristallnacht*) against Jews
1939 German invasion of remaining portions of Czechoslovakia
1939 Non-Aggression Pact with USSR signed
1941 German invasion and occupation of Poland; start of WWII
1941 German invasion of the USSR