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American History: Chapter 11, Section 3 Guided Notes *Victory in Europe and the Pacific*

I. Planning Germany's Defeat

a. Operation Overlord

- i. Throughout 1943 _____, _____, and _____ disagreed about if they would start a second front in France
- ii. _____ argued that the German U-boat presence was too great in the English channel and that the Allies needed more land craft, more equipment, and better trained soldiers
- iii. November 1943 – _____ Conference
 1. Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin meet in _____, Iran
 2. _____ sided with _____, and Churchill reluctantly agreed
 3. The massive Allied invasion of France given the code name _____
- iv. D-Day Invasion of Normandy
 1. Operation Overlord involved landing 21 _____ divisions and 26 _____, _____, and _____ divisions on a 50-mile stretch of beaches in Normandy.
 - a. The plan involved an elaborate deception (_____)
 - i. Allies created a fictional army, with a fake headquarters southeast of Normandy
 2. _____: D-Day
 - a. Plan was to strike five beaches, code named Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno, and Sword
 - b. First troops landed at 6:30 a.m.
 - c. Four beaches had light opposition, but the Germans had dug trenches and built concrete structures to fire heavy artillery from at Omaha
 1. _____ was assigned to American forces

II. Liberation of Europe

a. Allies Advance

- i. D-Day was the _____ for Nazi Germany
 1. _____ soldiers worked from the east to force the German armies out of eastern Europe
 2. August 1944 – Allies liberated _____
 3. July 1944 – _____ (German field marshal) plotted against Hitler, bombed Hitler's headquarters, and took poison to escape being put on trial

- b. Germany Counterattacks
 - i. Battle of the Bulge
 - 1. December 1944 – _____ speaking _____ soldiers in U.S. uniforms cut telephone lines, changed road signs, and spread confusion
 - 2. Caught the _____ by surprise and captured several key towns
 - 3. Once reinforcements arrived, _____ was once again being pushed out of _____
- c. Allies Push to Victory
 - i. April 1945 – _____ tries to flee to Switzerland, but is captured and executed
 - ii. _____ forces now cross into _____
 - iii. April 30, 1945 - _____
 - iv. May 7, 1945 - V-E Day (Victory in Europe) _____

III. Advancing in the Pacific

- a. Japanese Troops Fight to the Death
 - i. While the war raged in Europe, _____ forces were island-hopping in the _____
 - ii. Each island was a _____
 - iii. Many Japanese troops _____ instead of surrender
 - iv. Japanese kamikaze pilots deliberately crashed into _____
 - v. General McArthur took back the _____
- b. Advancing in the Pacific
 - i. February & March 1945 – _____
 - 1. U.S. Marines faced a dug-in enemy for 36 days
 - 2. 23,000 Marine casualties
 - 3. _____ took the island
 - ii. April 1945 – _____
 - 1. Contained a vital _____
 - 2. Involved half a million troops & 1,213 warships

IV. The Atomic Bomb Ends the War

- a. The Manhattan Project Develops the A-Bomb
 - i. _____ – scientists learned how to split the nuclei of certain elements, discovering the process of nuclear fission
 - ii. _____ – code name for development of atomic bomb
 - 1. Cost several billion dollars and employed tens of thousands of people
 - 2. Leaders – General Leslie Groves and _____
 - a. Groves secured buildings, materials, scientists, and security
 - b. Oppenheimer ran _____
 - c. Project included many refugees from _____
 - d. July 16, 1945 – outside Alamogordo, New Mexico, first atomic bomb tested

3. Truman Makes His Decision

- a. FDR had _____ a few weeks before V-E Day, the new President, _____, had to make the decision to use the atomic bomb.
- b. Truman had to weigh the options – _____, knowing the Axis powers had nuclear scientists
- c. Ultimately, Truman decided to _____.

4. Hiroshima and Nagasaki Are Destroyed

- a. _____ – U.S. pilots dropped a bomb on Hiroshima at 8:15 a.m.
 - i. Two minutes later, 60,000 residents dead or missing
 - ii. Japanese leaders debate _____
- b. August 9, 1945 – Soviets invade _____ and U.S. drops a second atomic bomb on _____
 - i. _____ - August 15, 1945 Emperor Hirohito surrenders