

## Reflect

Answer the Qs in the margin.

Why did the Allies agree to a “Europe First” strategy?

What impact did new technology have on Atlantic supply lines?

What impact did the Battle of Stalingrad have?

Who were the 3 generals associated with the North Africa front?

Focus Question : How did the Allies turn the tide against the Axis?

# Ch11.1 The Allies Turn the Tide

The Allies viewed Germany as the most dangerous Axis Power.

- The German military could:
  - bomb .....
  - fight both the U.S. and British navies
  - ..... the Soviet Union
- For these reasons, the Allies agreed to a “Europe First” strategy to defeat Hitler.

The U.S. moved quickly to produce military ..... and send them to Europe.

- Hitler was determined to ..... the supplies from reaching Europe.
- German U-boats sank thousands of supply ships in the North Atlantic.
- New technology such as ..... helped the Allies target the U-boats and restore the supply lines.

Germany invaded the Soviet Union in June ..... Millions of soldiers and civilians died in fierce fighting.

- After a long struggle, the Soviets ..... the Germans at Stalingrad.
  - Thousands of Germans surrendered.
- The Battle of Stalingrad proved to be a major turning point of the war in Europe.
  - Nazi armies were forced to retreat westward, back toward Germany.
  - The Soviet Union was now on the .....
  - Hitler’s dream of ..... Europe was crushed.

Meanwhile, Allied forces pressured the Axis on another front—the ..... of North Africa.

- General **Dwight Eisenhower** commanded the ..... invasion.
- Heat, sandstorms, and scorpions made conditions difficult.
- Tank battles dominated the fighting, pitting two brilliant tank strategists against each other.
  - American General **George S. Patton, Jr.**
  - German General Erwin Rommel, the “Desert Fox”
- Patton eventually ..... Rommel’s Afrika Korps, forcing a German surrender.

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What impact did the Italian campaign have?

Why did the Allies launch such massive attacks against Germany?

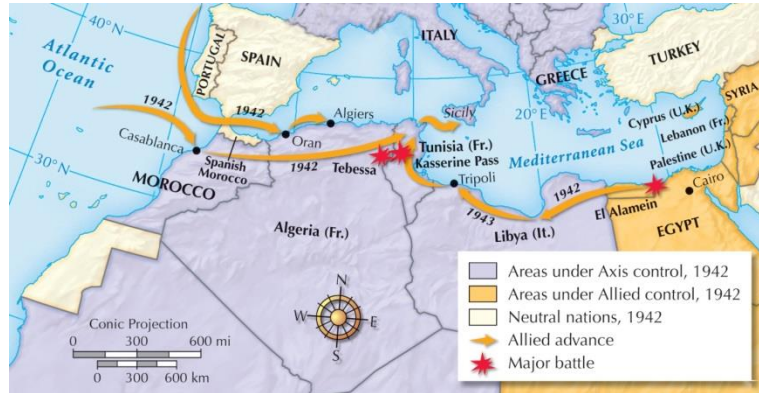
How was Japan's advance through the Pacific finally halted?

List the major battle fronts in the war:

The Allied victory in North Africa paved the way for an invasion of ....., with forces capturing Sicily.

- The campaign ended the rule of Benito Mussolini.
- In ....., Italy surrendered to the Allies.

Allied Advances:



The Allies next took the fight to the ..... Bombers launched nonstop attacks against Germany.

- massive saturation bombing
- pinpoint strategic bombing
- The goal was unconditional .....

While battles raged in Europe, the Allies continued to fight Japanese advances in the .....

- At Midway, Allied aircraft carriers and fighter planes were victorious in fierce fighting.
- The Battle of ..... proved to be a major turning point of the war in the Pacific.
  - Japan's momentum was finally halted.
  - Americans took the offensive, moving on to defeat the Japanese at Guadalcanal.
  - Now the Allies began advancing—toward .....

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SUMMARY- Summarize your notes using at least 6 complete sentences:

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