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**16.1 Hitler’s Lightning War**

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**Part 2: Eastern Front and Mediterranean**

1. What was Germany’s first objective in the Mediterranean?

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1. What was Mussolini’s goal in North Africa?

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1. Who was the “Desert Fox” and what did he control?

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1. What did the “Desert Fox” accomplish and why is it significant?

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**The War in the Balkans**

1. Why did Hitler build bases in Southeastern Europe?

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1. Why was Hitler able to take over the Balkans so easily? Why were some countries more difficult to take over?

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**Hitler Invades the Soviet Union**

1. What was the name of Hitler’s plan to invade the Soviet Union and what are 2 factors to the invasion’s early success?

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1. What strategy did the Soviets use to slow down the Nazis?

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1. Describe the situation in Leningrad in September of 1941:

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1. What effect did the Russian winter have on the Nazi advance on Moscow?

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1. What does the fact that the German armies were not prepared for Russian winter indicate about Hitler’s expectations for the campaign in the Soviet Union?

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**United States Aids Its Allies**

1. What was the purpose of the Neutrality Acts?

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1. What was the purpose of the Lend-Lease Act?

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1. What was Hitler’s response to the Lend-Lease Act?

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1. What did the Atlantic Charter declare?

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1. What was the result of a German U-boat firing on an American destroyer in 1941?

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