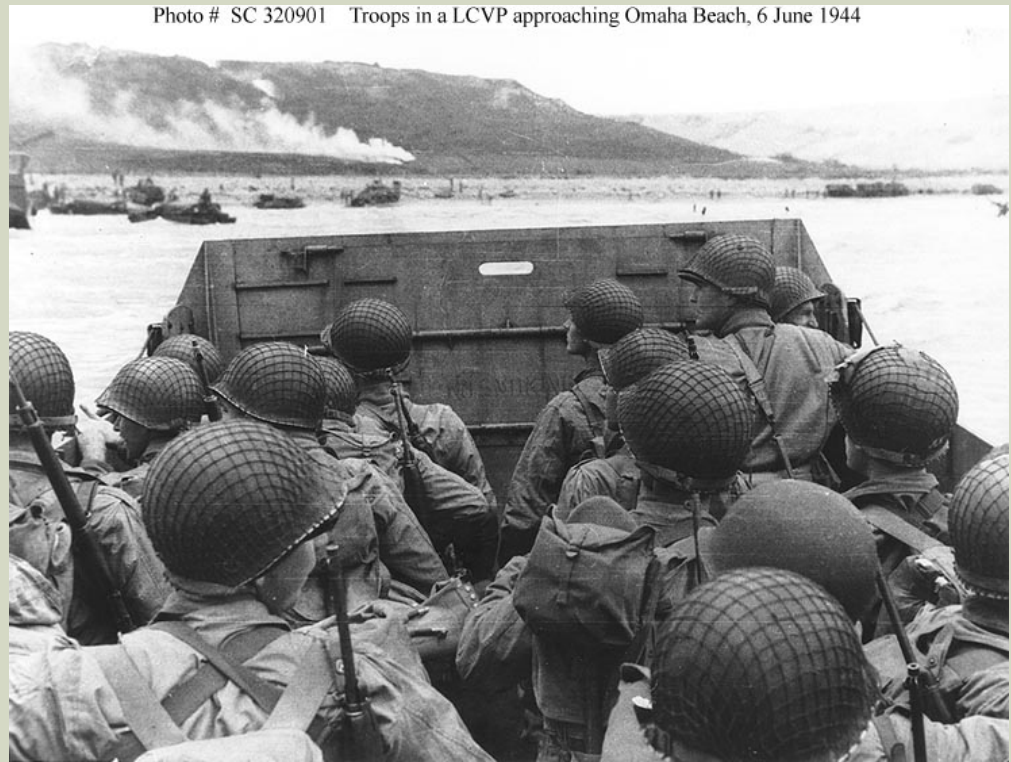


WARM UP #5

- How do you think the Allies finally won the war? Why did the mighty empires of Germany and Japan fall?

THE ALLIES ARE VICTORIOUS

- FLT: I will be able to explain how the Allies were victorious in Europe at the end of WWII.



EUROPEAN THEATRE

5 W's notes

- Who
- What
- When
- Where
- Why

WWII – HOW DID IT END

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPcRfzRtM9o>

BATTLE OF EL ALAMEIN

- El Alamein
= Egypt, North Africa
- General Bernard Montgomery (**British**)
v.s. General Erwin
“Desert Fox” Rommel (**German**)



- On October 23, 1942, the British attacked with surprise to stop Italian and German expansion.
- Rommel’s army retreated on November 8, 1942

OPERATION TORCH

- On November 8, 1942, American troops led by General Dwight D. Eisenhower landed in Morocco and Algeria (North Africa)
- Defeated and ended General Rommel's (German) African campaign



BATTLE OF STALINGRAD



- Stalingrad = Southern Russia
- On August 23, 1942, Hitler (Germans) tried to invade more of USSR after retreating from Leningrad
- On February 2, 1943, frostbitten **Germans** **surrendered to the Soviets**
- Soviets lost 1 million troops defending Stalingrad, but **defeated the Germans for the first time**

INVASION OF ITALY

- July 10, 1943, Allied forces landed in Sicily, Italy to capture it from Italian and German troops
- Italians overthrow Mussolini – shot and hanged
- September 3, Italy surrendered. Germany fell in May, 1945



D-DAY INVASION

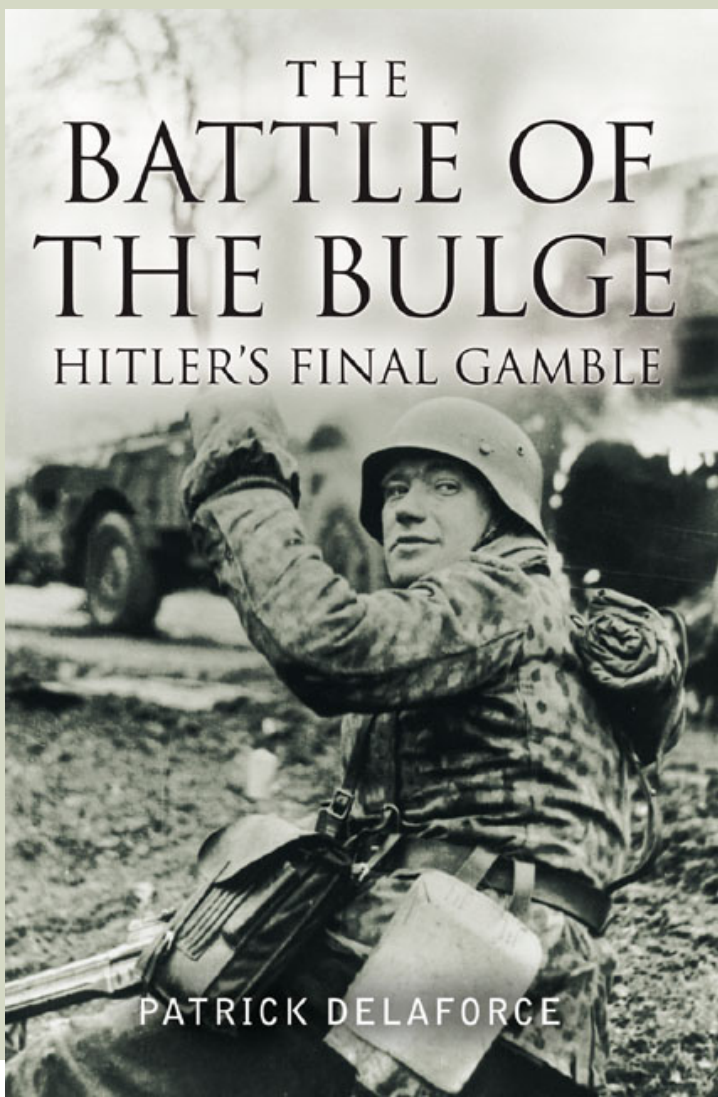
- D-Day = Designated Day
- Allies planned to strike on the beaches of Normandy, France led by U.S. General Dwight D. Eisenhower
- On June 6, 1944, British, American, French, and Canadian troops fought in the greatest land and sea attack in history
- On August 25, the Allies liberated France, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Netherlands



D-DAY CLIP (*SAVING PRIVATE RYAN*)

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_cytrCXTHno

BATTLE OF THE BULGE



- December 16, 1944 in Belgium
- Germans made a final push to break up American and British forces
- Allies eventually pushed Germans back and caused heavy losses for Hitler
- Hitler's final attempt at victory fails

GERMANY'S UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER

- Allies rolled into Germany; Soviets surrounded and attacked Berlin
- Hitler shot himself after taking poison
- May 7, 1945, Germans unconditionally surrendered
- May 8 = **V-E Day** (Victory in Europe Day). Allies celebrate winning the war!





V-E DAY

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m3FUdB86OG0>

PARAGRAPH RESPONSE #2

- Explain how the Allies were victorious in Europe to end WWII. What were the key events to take down Hitler and the Axis Powers?