

Strand	Time continuity and change.
Sub- Strand	Continuity and change.
Content Learning Outcome:	Describe the effects of major world events on people and the world as a whole.

**Lesson Notes:**

**Significant World Events:**

World War II

- ❖ Was a global war that lasted from 1939 to 1945.
- ❖ It involved most nations in the world – including all of the great powers, eventually forming two opposing military alliances: the **Allies** and the **Axis**.
- ❖ It was the most widespread war in history, and involved more than 100 million people from over 30 countries.
- ❖ Marked by mass death of civilians, approximately 11 million people were killed.
- ❖ The strategic bombing of industries and population centers (approximately one million people were killed).
- ❖ It resulted in an estimated 50 million to 85 million fatalities.
- ❖ These made World War II the deadliest conflict in human history.

Causes of World War II

- ❖ Japanese Expansion.
- ❖ Fascism.
- ❖ Great Depression.

**Activity**

Fill in the blank spaces using the words given below.

1945

history

economic

Japan

countries

deadliest

1. World War II was the most widespread war in \_\_\_\_\_.
2. With the economic turmoil left behind by World War II, some \_\_\_\_\_ were taken over by dictators.
3. The period before World War II was a time of great \_\_\_\_\_ suffering throughout the world called Great Depression.
4. World War II was the \_\_\_\_\_ conflict in human history.
5. World War II was a global war that lasted from 1939 to \_\_\_\_\_.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ began to look to grow their empire in order to gain new resources.