

Inquiry Design Model (IDM) Blueprint™

Compelling Question	How was the Soviet invasion of Manchuria an influence for the use of atomic weapons?		
Standards and Practices	<p>Create and use tools to analyze a chronological sequence of related events in United States history.</p> <p>Explain connections between historical context and peoples' perspectives at the time in United States history.</p> <p>Analyze the causes and consequences of a specific problem in United States history post c. 1870 as well as the challenges and opportunities faced by those trying to address the problem.</p> <p>Predict the consequences which can occur when individuals fail to carry out their personal responsibilities.</p> <p>Using a United States' historical lens, describe how people's' perspectives shaped the sources/artifacts they created.</p> <p>Evaluate the responses of United States' leaders to the challenges of the Great Depression and World War II.</p> <p>Describe critical developments and turning points in WWII including major battles.</p> <p>Evaluate the impact of U.S. participation in WWII and the resulting new role in the post-war world home and abroad</p> <p>Analyze the impact of geography in the European and Pacific theaters during WWII to compare war efforts and strategies.</p>		
Staging the Question	Read two articles about the importance/decision to drop the bomb. (Short Essay on how much they think it was an influence) (KWL)		
Supporting Question 1	Supporting Question 2	Supporting Question 3	
What were the significant events of World War II from April 1945 to August 1945?	Was the unconditional surrender of Japan a possibility before August 1945?	Was Soviet involvement in the war against Japan necessary and desired?	
Formative Performance Task	Formative Performance Task	Formative Performance Task	
Create a Timeline that includes major events of the war and details of the end of the war in the Pacific.	Write an argumentative essay describing Allied and Japanese conditions for surrender.	DBQ essay	

Featured Sources		Featured Sources	Featured Sources
<p>Source 1: Legacy of the Soviet Union Offensives</p> <p>Source 2: If the atomic bomb had not been used.</p>		<p>Source 3: Draft of Potsdam Declaration</p> <p>Source 4: Cairo Conference, Appendix</p> <p>Source 5: Japanese response Togo 21 July 1945</p> <p>Source 6: Strategic Bombing Survey</p>	<p>Source 7: Truman's letter to Bess Truman, July 20, 1945</p> <p>Source 8: Truman's Potsdam notes</p> <p>Source 9: <u>Map of Pacific Theater-American and Soviet Occupation in Pacific Potsdam Conference</u></p> <p>Source 10: Robert Ferrell, Harry S. Truman: A Life pp. 215-217</p> <p>Source 11: Third Meeting, Hopkins, Harriman et al May 28, 1945</p> <p>Source 12: Transcript, Emperor Hirohito's Surrender Speech</p>
Summative Performance Task	Argument	<p>Create a Pie Chart or Bar Graph showing the percent of influence they think that the Soviet invasion had on the decision. (Significance Circles) Write an evidence based paragraph explaining your decisions. Which circle shows the most significant reasons for Truman's use of the Atomic Bomb?</p>	
	Extension	<p>Did your opinion change in the course of the research? What documents influenced you in your opinion?</p>	