

WW II Major Battles Europe & Africa

Battle of El Alamein

- Germany & Afrika (Africa) Korps threatened to seize Egypt & the Suez Canal
- Axis were defeated by the Allies
 - Stopped Hitler from access to Middle Eastern oil
 - Turning point of the War
 - General Dwight D. Eisenhower



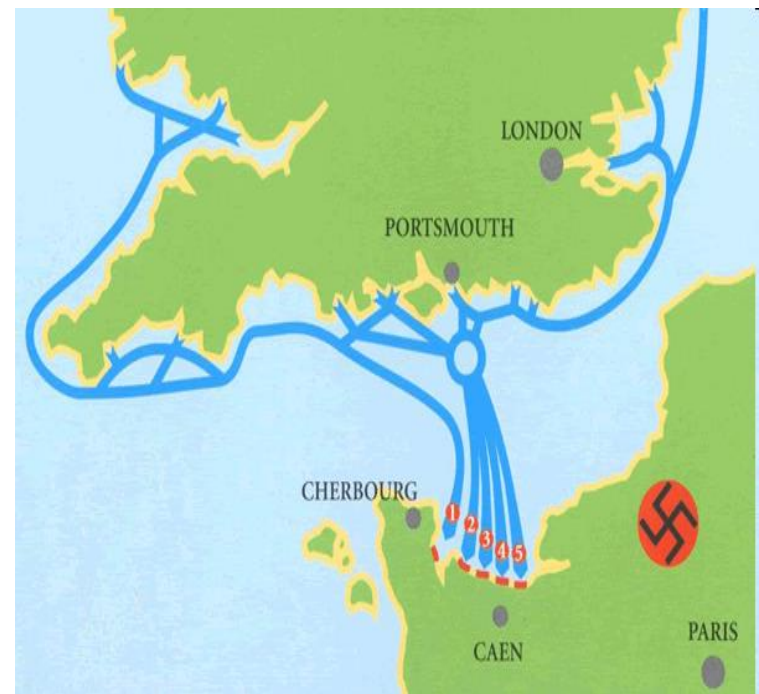
Battle of Stalingrad

- German forces besieged the Russian city of Stalingrad
- Germany's defeat prevented them from seizing Russian oil fields
- Difficult winter conditions helped the Russians win
- Turning point against Germany in the Eastern Europe



Operation Overlord

- D-Day
- American & Allied troops (General Eisenhower) landed in German-occupied France
- Largest land, sea, air invasion in history
- Successful & began the liberation of western Europe from Hitler



Battle of the Bulge

- Devastating loss for Germany
- Final German offense
- Allies led by General Patton
- Beginning of the end for Germany
- Allies began invading Germany
- Led to Germany's surrender

Victory in Europe

- Germany surrenders to the Allies on May 7, 1945.
- V-E Day - May 8, 1945

