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# THE WAR OF THE WORLD

## A NEW HISTORY OF THE 20TH CENTURY

### THE PLAN

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RUSSIA IN THE 1930S

GIVE FULL DETAILS ON THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT THAT WAS PART OF STALIN'S FIRST FIVE-YEAR PLAN.

HOW DID GEORGE BERNARD SHAW REACT TO WHAT HE SAW IN RUSSIA IN 1931? WHY?

WHAT WAS THE 'GULAG' AND WHY DID STALIN USE THIS POLICY?

HOW MANY ARRESTS AND HOW MANY EXECUTIONS WERE MADE BETWEEN JANUARY 1935 AND JUNE 1941?

GIVE EXAMPLES OF GROUPS OF PEOPLE WHO WERE FORCED TO MOVE FROM THEIR HOMES TO WORK FOR STALIN.

WHY DO YOU THINK STALIN WAS ABLE TO DO THIS WITH NO REAL OPPOSITION?

‘THESE WERE FILLED WITH PEOPLE WHO TURNED OUT TO BE KOREANS, WHO WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR BELONGINGS WERE ON THEIR WAY FROM THE FAR EAST TO CENTRAL ASIA, WHERE THEY WERE BEING SENT TO WORK ON THE COTTON PLANTATIONS. THEY HAD NO IDEA WHY THEY WERE BEING DEPORTED. LATER I HEARD THAT THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES QUITE ARBITRARILY REMOVED SOME 200,000 KOREANS.’

WHO SAID THIS?

HOW RELIABLE IS THIS LIKELY TO BE AND WHY?

WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THIS EVIDENCE?

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THE DIARY OF VICTOR KLEMPERER  
11 AUGUST 1935

‘THE JEW BAITING HAS BECOME SO EXTREME THAT WE EXPECT TO BE BEATEN TO DEATH AT ANY MOMENT – I SIMPLY CAN NOT BELIEVE THAT THE MOOD OF THE MASSES HAS STOOD BEHIND HITLER BUT EVERYONE, LITERALLY EVERYONE, CRINGES WITH FEAR. NO LETTER, NO TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, NO WORD ON THE STREET IS SAFE ANY MORE.’

EXPLAIN HOW THE NAZIS MANAGED TO CONVINCE ORDINARY GERMANS THAT IT WAS ACCEPTABLE TO TREAT JEWS LIKE THIS.

WHY WAS VICTOR DETERMINED NOT TO FLEE GERMANY LIKE MANY OTHER JEWS DID?

NIALL FERGUSON CLAIMS THAT THE CHINESE-JAPANESE CONFLICT IN 1937 WAS THE REAL START OF THE WAR AND NOT GERMANY'S INVASION OF POLAND IN 1939.

- USE WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED FROM THIS PROGRAM, THE INTERNET AND TEXT BOOKS TO PRODUCE AN ARGUMENT FOR AND AGAINST THIS CLAIM.
- MENTION YOUR SOURCES OF EVIDENCE.

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