



WWII IN HD COLOUR — THE GATHERING STORM

The Rise of Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party

1. What “dangerous myth” did Germany’s soldiers begin to believe at the end of WWI?
2. Who was not happy about the breakup of Austria Hungary into smaller countries like Czechoslovakia?
3. How were ordinary German people affected by the “hyperinflation” that hit in 1923?
4. What event in America spread to Germany, giving Hitler the opportunity he needed to gain power?
5. Why was Hitler so popular with the German people during the 1930s? What did he do?



The Rise and Expansion of Imperial Japan

6. How did the Japanese view their emperor?
7. What did Japan need for its empire to grow, that it did not have on its own limited islands?
8. What happened at Nanking in 1937?
9. Why was the League of Nations unable to stop the spread of Japanese imperial forces?

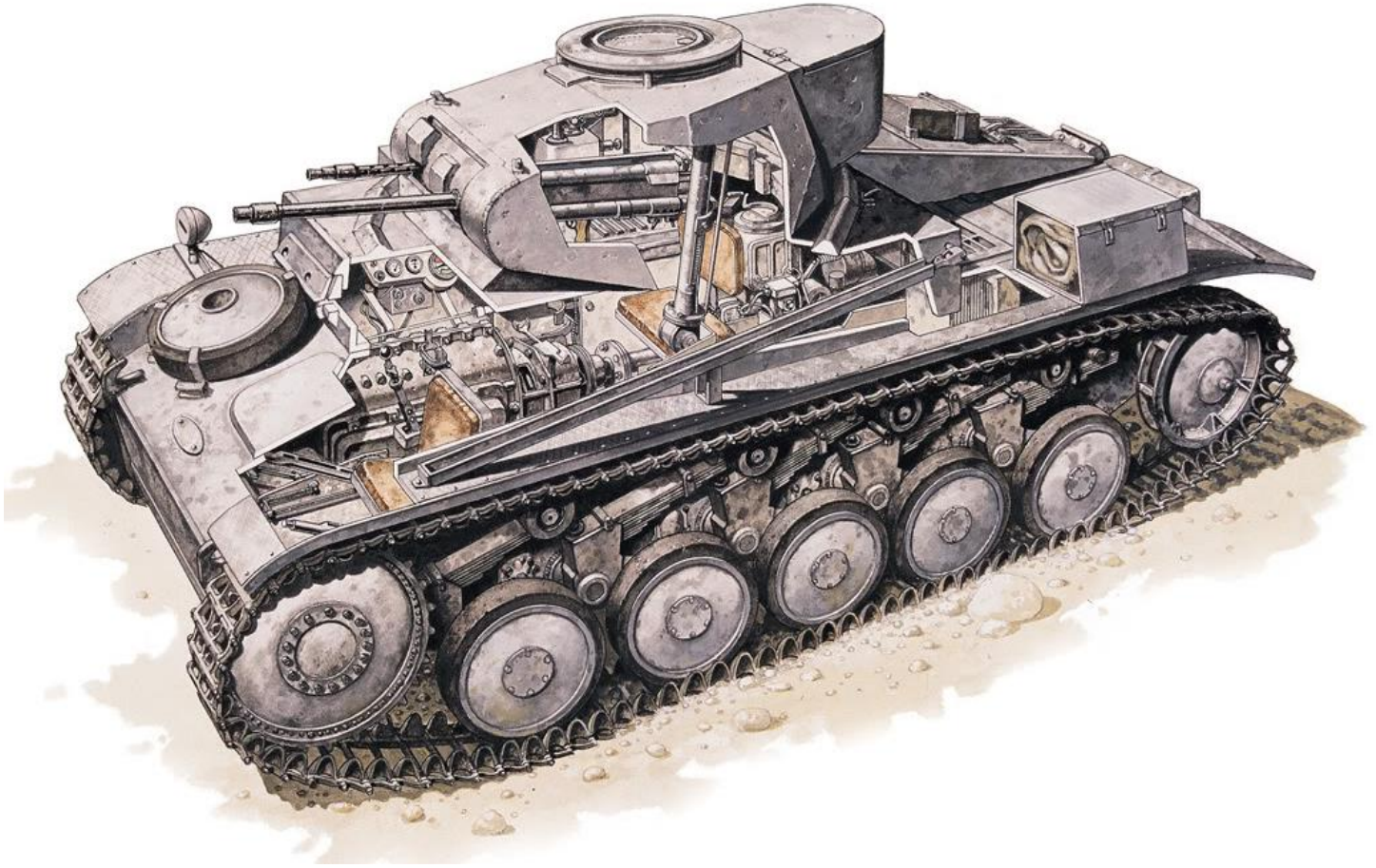


The Rise of Benito Mussolini and Fascist Italy

10. How did Mussolini “inspire” Adolf Hitler, and many other people around the world?
11. What was Mussolini’s ultimate goal?
12. What did Italy conquer to begin this campaign, and how did Britain and France respond?

The Spanish Civil War – Proving Grounds for Germany and Italy

13. How did Hitler use the Spanish Civil War to his own advantage, through helping Franco’s fascists?
14. Why did Josef Stalin help out the other side (the Republic)?
15. Who won the Spanish Civil War, and why?



New Weapons, New Tactics, New Targets

16. How did Hitler and the Germans improve on tank designs and tactics since WWI?
17. What was Hitler’s first target for invasion, which occurred without firing a single shot?
18. What territory was next on Hitler’s list?
19. How did Hitler end up gaining control of this territory? What did he “promise”?
20. Why did Stalin and Hitler sign an agreement promising not to attack each other?