World War II: some key dates

1939: Poland was invaded by Germany and Britain declared war
May 1940: British troops had to evacuate Dunkirk

1940: The Battle of Britain began in August

1940–41 is remembered as the Blitz

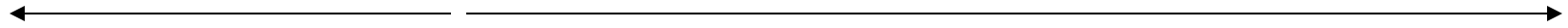June 1941: Germany attacked USSR

1939   1940   1941   1942   1943   1944   1945

Dec 1941: Japan attacked
Pear Harbour and America joined the war

15 Aug 1945:
Japan surrendered

1942: USSR
     counter attack

6 June 1944:
D-Day

May 1945:
Germany
surrendered