Does Just War Exist?: IT BEGINS...

I. The Path to War

Map 1: 1936

A. The Austrian Anschluss

B. The Munich Crisis

Hitler’s Demands

The Munich Agreement

Appeasement

Czechoslovakia

British Prime Minister: Neville Chamberlain

C. The Nazi-Soviet Pact

Map 2: 1938

II. The German Offensive Begins

A. Blitzkrieg in Poland

Map 3: September 1939

B. The Phony War
C. Dunkirk Evacuation

III. France and Britain Fight On

A. The Fall of France

Map 5: May 1940

B. The Battle of Britain

Map 6: June 1940

Appeasement: Guiding Questions

Document A: Chamberlain

1. (Sourcing) When and where did this speech take place? What was Chamberlain’s goal for the Munich Agreement?

2. (Context) Why might people in England in 1938 support appeasement?

3. (Close reading) What did Chamberlain claim England should do while pursuing the policy of appeasement?

Document B: Churchill

1. (Sourcing) When and where did this speech take place? What was Churchill’s purpose?

2. (Close reading) What does Churchill mean when he said instead of “snatching” Hitler’s “victuals from the table,” Chamberlain “has been content to have them served to him course by course”?

3. (Context) In paragraph 2, what does Churchill claim could have prevented Germany from taking the Sudetenland? Does he offer any evidence for this claim?

4. (Context) What does Churchill predict will happen in Czechoslovakia?
HOMEWORK

Go to the class website and download Documents C, D, and E. Use the documents to answer the following questions. When you have finished answering the questions, fill out the hypothesis chart. You will need to download Documents A and B to complete the chart. A hypothesis is an educated decision.

Document C: Bartlett

1. (Sourcing) When was this document written? What was Bartlett’s purpose in writing it?

2. (Close reading) What does Bartlett claim Hitler would have done if Chamberlain had “stood firm” and not pursued appeasement? What, if any, evidence does Bartlett offer to support this claim?

3. (Context) What point does Bartlett make about the British and Czechoslovakian armies?

Document D: Channon

1. (Sourcing/context) When was this document written? What had just happened?

2. (Context) Why does Channon claim appeasement was the right policy? What, if any, evidence does he use to back this claim?

Document E: Lord Halifax

1. (Source) When was this document written? What was Halifax’s purpose for writing it?

2. (Context) Why does Halifax claim appeasement was the right policy? What, if any, evidence does he use to back this claim?
## Appeasement Hypotheses

**Hypothesis #1:** After reading Documents A and B, create a hypothesis regarding the question: Was appeasement the right policy for England in 1938? Cite evidence from the documents to support your answer.

**Hypothesis #2:** After reading Documents C, D, E, create a hypothesis regarding the question: Was appeasement the right policy for England in 1938? Cite evidence from the documents to support your answer.