

# WWII in Europe

Standard 10.8.4/10.8.6

# Europe and North Africa During World War II



# Germany Attacks France



- French resistance is unprepared for German advance
- Paris is captured on June 14, 1940
- A puppet regime is set up
  - Vichy government
  - Marshal Henri Petain is named Prime Minister

# The war in Europe



- Battle of Britain
  - Series of air battles fought in the skies over Britain
  - Hitler's first real mistake of the war
  - Included over 57 days of Bombing
    - Hitler wanted to break the morale of the British people
    - Over 45,000 British civilians killed

# War in Europe

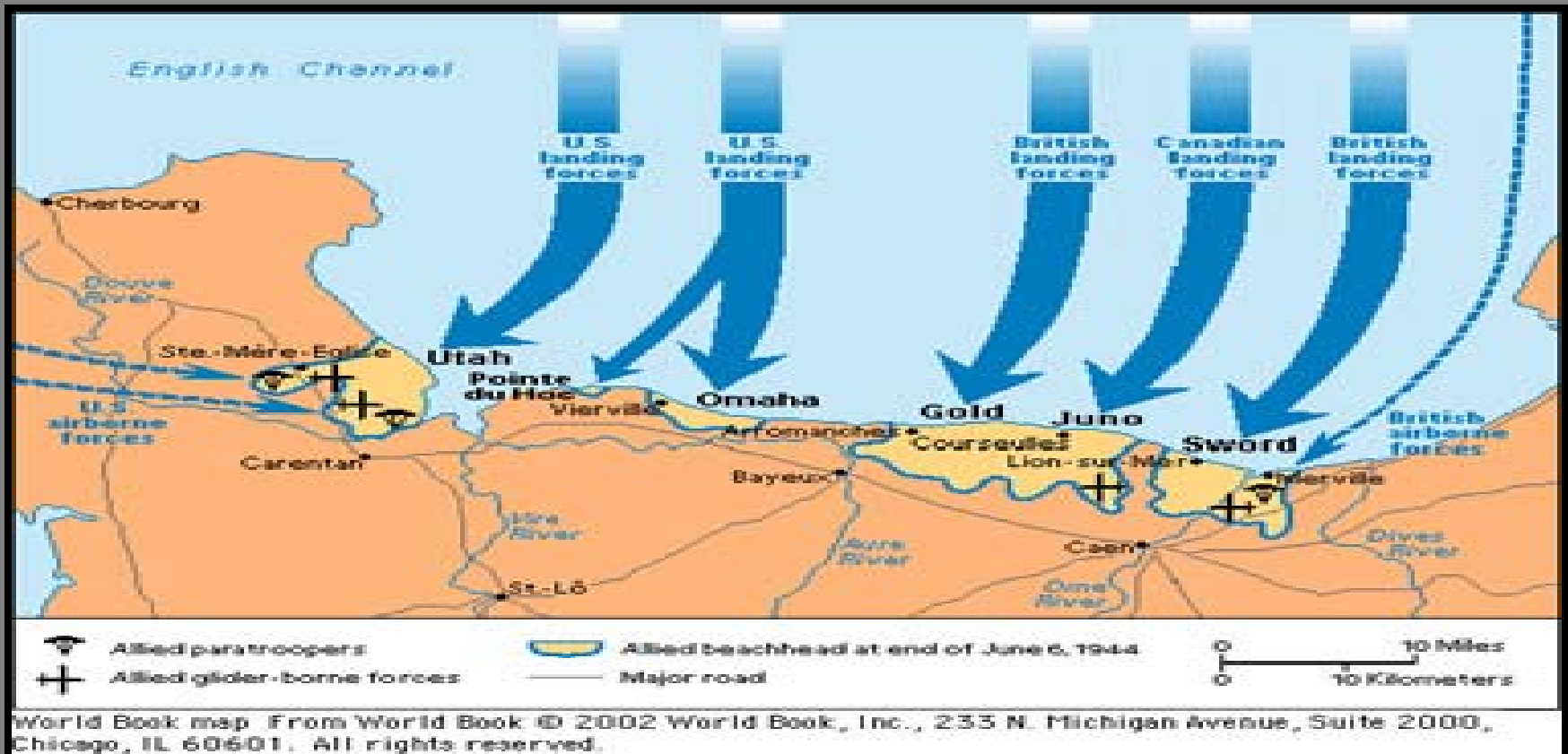
- Germany attacks Soviet Union
  - June 22, 1941
  - Operation Barbarossa
  - Made up the largest invasion force in history
  - This is where Hitler broke his secret agreement with Stalin





# Invasion of Normandy

- D-Day - June 6, 1944
  - Allied forces invasion of the European continent
  - Overall control of invasion given to Dwight D. Eisenhower





# Invasion of Normandy (D-Day)



# War in Europe



- Battle of the Bulge
  - Last major German push
    - Plan was to split the Allied armies and force a peace treaty in the Axis' favor
  - Allied armies lines did not break, although the middle of the lines bent deep into Belgium
    - They fought back and pushed the German Army back

# Ticket Out

- On your note card, answer the following questions. Then, hand it to me as you exit the classroom
  - Why did Hitler decide to bomb London?
  - What did the Germans hope to do at the Battle of the Bulge?