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**World War II: Before American Involvement**

**Directions: From 1939 to the end of 1941, the United States decided to stay out of the massive conflict that was World War II. In the space below, put the events in the correct order. For each event, write 1-2 sentences that explain WHY the event occurred, and whether or not the event presents a problem of security for the United States.**

**For each event, write the date it occurred and a brief explanation of what occurred, if necessary.**

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| **Event** | **Causes for the event** | **Should the U.S. be concerned?** |
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| **Italian invasion of Ethiopia** |
| **Anschluss- Hitler annexes Austria** |
| **The Nazi-Soviet Pact**  |
| **Miracle at Dunkirk** |
| **Pearl Harbor** |
| **Rise of Mussolini and fascism in Italy** |
| **Rise of Hitler and Nazi party** |
| **Hitler writes *Mein Kampf*** |
| **Stalin’s Five Year Plans in the USSR** |
| **Invasion of Poland** |
| **Invasion and fall of France** |
| **Munich Conference** |
| **Hitler’s annexation of Czechoslovakia** |
| **Japanese expansion and the Rape of Nanking** |
| **Battle of Britain and the London Blitz** |