

Lesson Plan

Weapons Words

Book: *Weapons of World War II*

Series: World War II

Level: Voyager

Objective

To help students build vocabulary related to weapons and tactics used during World War II.

Supplies

- *Weapons of World War II* book
- Weapons Words worksheet (attached)
- Pencils

Before the Activity

Read *Weapons of World War II* out loud as a class, or assign it to students to read on their own. Print a copy of the Weapons Words worksheet for each student.

Activity

Pass out the Weapons Words worksheet. Explain that it lists terms related to important weapons or tactics described in the *Weapons of World War II* book. Students should use what they remember from their reading to match each term from the column on the left to its description in the column on the right. Because each term will be used only once, students can use the process of elimination to help figure out the answers. They can also look back through the *Weapons of World War II* book if they get stuck.

Evaluation

Collect the worksheets and use the attached answer key to give each student 1 point for each correct answer, for up to 16 points.

Standards

This lesson may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational text, grades 6–7 (RI 6.4, 7.4), and language standards, grades 6–7 (L 6.4, 7.4).

Weapons Words

ammunition	guns that reload themselves after each shot
grenades	vehicles that carry troops from ships to enemy shores
mortars	pilots who purposely crashed their planes into targets
machine guns	
panzers	bullets or shells that are shot from a gun
landing craft	a system that used radio waves to find objects
radar	German submarines that sank many Allied ships
sonar	nuclear weapons that use chain reactions to create explosions
atomic bombs	small bombs often thrown by hand
semiautomatic rifles	
U-boats	guns that keep firing as long as their triggers are pulled
aircraft carriers	large ships where planes can take off and land
artillery	tube-shaped bombs that move and explode underwater
submarines	
torpedoes	a system that used sound waves to find underwater objects
kamikazes	tubes with metal legs that launch bombs into the air
	fast-moving German tanks with strong armor
	large guns, often mounted on wheels
	ships can move under the water's surface

Weapons Words Answer Key

