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# Italian Campaign

## ITALIAN CAMPAIGN

- Series of Allied beach landings & land battles.
- Started in North Africa, then goes to Sicily, Southern Italy, and up to Germany.

## IMPORTANT QUOTE

*"The Soft Underbelly of Hitler's Europe"*  
-Winston Churchill



# THESIS

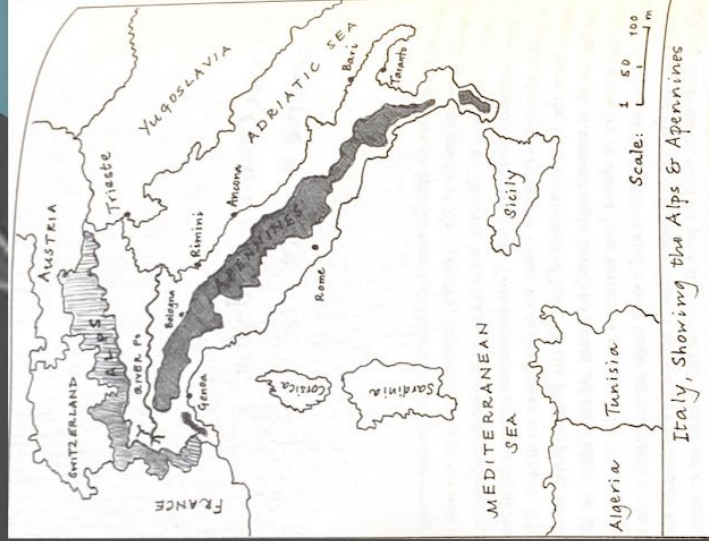
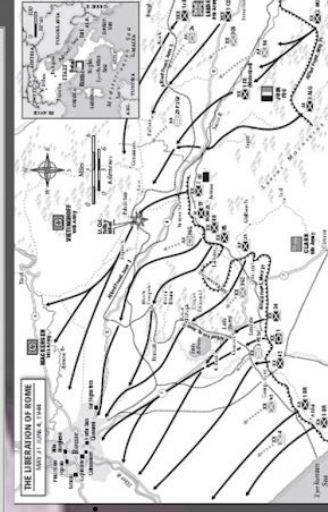
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## Important Events of the Italian Campaign

- The Casablanca Conference
- Allied invasion of Sicily.
- Allied invasion of Continental Italy.
- Allied advancement to Rome.
- Allied advancement to Northern Italy.



## WHO WAS INVOLVED

**Albert Kesselring**- Italian Principal  
Commander

**Joseph Stalin**- Russian Leader

**Harold Alexander**- British General

**Mark W. Clark**- U.S. Army Commander



## IMPORTANTANCE

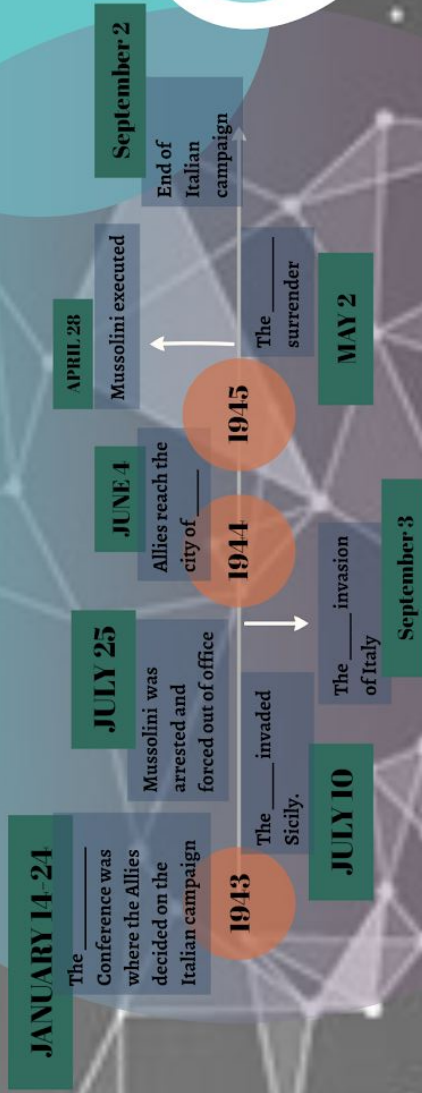
• **Benito Mussolini**- Italian Prime  
Minister

• **Winston Churchill**- British  
Prime Minister

• **Franklin D. Roosevelt**- U.S.  
President

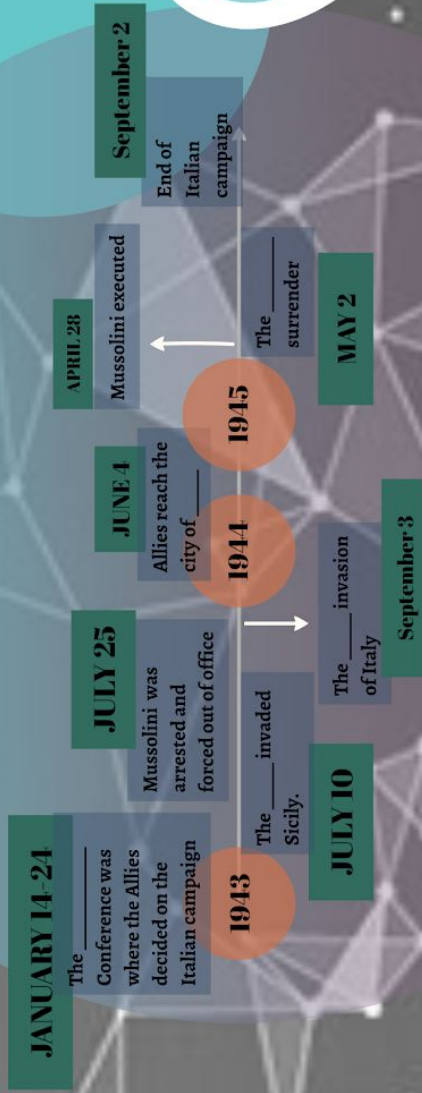


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## AFTERMATH

- Finally, Italy surrenders to the Allies, unable to fight any longer.
- Germany surrenders, giving the win of the Italian Campaign to the Allies.
- D-Day is more important!





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# Jeopardy!!

Kinda



**What caused the  
Italians to surrender  
from the war?**

Answer



**The Italians were  
tired of getting  
attacked by the Allies.**





**What did the phrase "the  
Soft Underbelly of  
Hitler's Europe" mean?**

Answer



**It was Churchill's way of  
saying the invasions  
would be an easy win  
against Hitler.**



**What was the name of the conference between Winston Churchill and Roosevelt where they decided to start the Italian Campaign?**

Answer



# The Casablanca Conference.





**Why did Germany  
grant the Allies this  
victory?**

Answer



**Germany wanted to  
focus on the D-Day  
attacks.**



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