

Victory — and After ^[1]

Germany surrendered to the Allies in May 1945; Japan three months later. Victory was achieved at last — but at what cost? In this chapter you'll read about the joy of V-E (Victory in Europe) Day and V-J (Victory over Japan) Day. You'll also analyze the decision to use the atomic bomb and watch a U.S. government film about the bombs' effects. Our look at World War II concludes with a list of North Carolina's war dead and a December 1945 newsreel about America's first postwar holiday season.

Section Contents

- [Victory in Europe](#) ^[2]
- [The Atomic Bomb](#) ^[3]
- [Primary Source: Harry Truman on using the A-Bomb at Hiroshima](#) ^[4]
- [Classroom Activity: A Tale of Two Cities](#) ^[5]
- [Victory over Japan](#) ^[6]
- [Primary Source: Veteran Discusses Occupying Japan](#) ^[7]
- [Primary Source: Dead and Missing from North Carolina in World War II](#) ^[8]
- [Into the Postwar Era](#) ^[9]

User Tags:

[atomic bomb](#) ^[10]

[Chapter Cover](#) ^[11]

[military](#) ^[12]

[North Carolina History](#) ^[13]

[Students](#) ^[14]

[Teachers](#) ^[15]

[World War II](#) ^[16]

[Creative Commons BY-NC-SA](#) ^[17]

From:

[ANCHOR: A North Carolina History Online Resource](#) ^[18]

Copyright Date:

2009

Artifacts:



[19]

U.S. Marines raise the flag on Iwo Jima in this iconic photograph.

3 January 2018

Source URL: <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/victory-%E2%80%94-and-after>

Links

[1] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/victory-%E2%80%94-and-after> [2] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/victory-europe> [3] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/atomic-bomb> [4] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/primary-source-harry-truman> [5] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/classroom-activity-tale-two> [6] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/victory-over-japan> [7] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/primary-source-veteran> [8] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/primary-source-dead-and> [9] <https://www.ncpedia.org/anchor/postwar-era> [10] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/atomic-bomb> [11] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/chapter-cover> [12] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/military> [13] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/north-carolina-6> [14] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/students> [15] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/teachers> [16] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/world-war-ii> [17] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/user-tags/creative-commons> [18] <https://www.ncpedia.org/category/entry-source/anchor-north> [19] <https://www.ncpedia.org/media/raising-flag-iwo-jima>