## Causes of the Second World War

Use the following words to help you create a Mind Map illustrating the main causes of the Second World War.

payment for damages of the First World War
humiliation in defeat
Germany
Depression
dictatorships in Europe
expansion of territories and empires
build-up of military strength

Treaty of Versailles 1919

Italy Mussolini

Japan Hitler

Soviet Union (Russia)

creation of new countries in Eastern Europe hesitation of Allied Powers (appeasement) reclamation of territories lost after World War I

punishment for World War I fear of another world war

Britain

United States
build-up of military
occupation of territories
spreading of hate propaganda

France revenge

Poland

weakness of League of Nations
lack of enforcement of Treaty of Versailles
persecution of groups who did not support government
lack of respect for peace treaties and agreements
alliances of dictators

