The Appeasement of Hitler prior to World War II

1. Hitler promises an end to the Reparations Payments made to Great Britain and France.

2. Rearmament – Hitler begins rebuilding the military (Introduces conscription or a draft for German males 18+ years old into military)

3. 1936: Hitler will march troops into the Rhineland
   This violated the Treaty Of Versailles. Hitler ordered troops to retreat if they met opposition
   The League Of Nations did nothing about this

4. March 13, 1938: Austrian Invasion – Hitler declares Anschluss (joining together of Germany and Austria). This unification was met with little resistance from anyone.

5. Hitler marches his troops into the Sudetenland – Area of Western Czechoslovakia (Sudetenland) was demanded by Hitler at the Munich Conference on Sept. 22, 1938. Great Britain’s Prime Minister (Chamberlain) gave into Hitler’s demands in order to keep peace in Europe and avoid war. If you give a pig a pancake...if you give Hitler the Sudetenland he’ll want the rest of Czechoslovakia
   Munich Pact – France, Great Britain, Germany and Italy meet in Munich, Germany to discuss the fate of the Sudetenland (part of Czechoslovakia).
   Czechoslovakia officials were not invited.
   France/Great Britain agreed to give Hitler the Sudetenland to avoid war in Europe

6. Hitler takes all of Czechoslovakia – If you give a pig a pancake...Hitler invades March 31, 1939

7. The final straw... Poland – September 1, 1939. Hitler invades Poland after the Nazi-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact is signed. This is the spark that begins WWII
   Nazi – Soviet Non-Aggression Pact
   Public Part - Hitler and Stalin agree NOT to attack one another for 10 years
   Secret Part – Hitler and Stalin agree to split Poland