

## Move to global war - Japanese expansion

<b>Case study 1:</b> Japanese expansion in East Asia (1931–1941)	<b>Causes of expansion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The impact of Japanese nationalism and militarism on foreign policy</li> <li>Japanese domestic issues: political and economic issues, and their impact on foreign relations</li> <li>Political instability in China</li> </ul> <b>Events</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Japanese invasion of Manchuria and northern China (1931)</li> <li>Sino-Japanese War (1937–1941)</li> <li>The Three Power/Tripartite Pact; the outbreak of war; Pearl Harbor (1941)</li> </ul> <b>Responses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>League of Nations and the Lytton report</li> <li>Political developments within China—the Second United Front</li> <li>International response, including US initiatives and increasing tensions between the US and Japan</li> </ul>
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