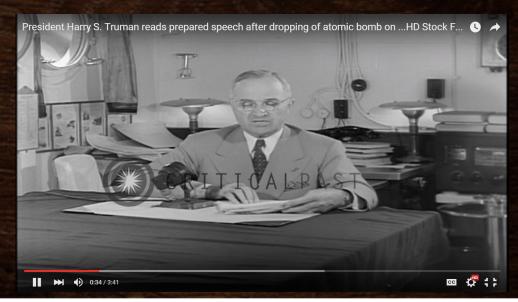
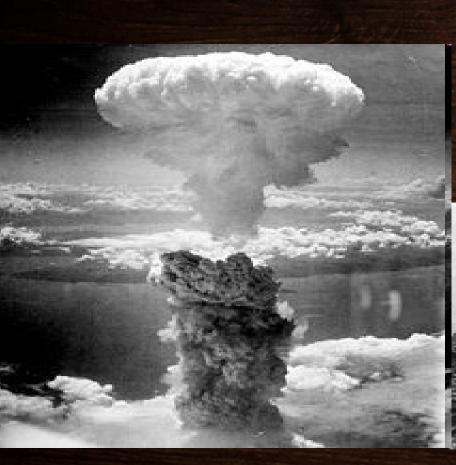


Truman Ultimatum

- Demanded "unconditional surrender of all Japanese armed forces" or be faced with, "prompt and utter destruction." After 4 days without a response from the Japanese, Truman ordered bombs to be dropped in Japan.
- authorized the use of the atomic bombs on populated areas because that was the only way to shorten the war and save American lives

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- 70,000 killed immediately
- 48,000 buildings destroyed.
- 100,000 died of radiation poisoning & cancer later.



Hiroshima Nagasaki

• On Aug 6, "Little Boy" was dropped on Hiroshima, killing 140,000 people, or roughly half the city.







Little Boy casing (mock-up)



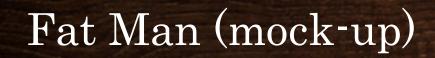


• Three days later, a second bomb, nicknamed Fat Man, was detonated over Nagasaki.





- 40,000 killed immediately
- 60,000 injured.
- 100,000s died of radiation poisoning & cancer later.







Emperor Hirohito

After the Nagasaki bombing, Emperor Hirohito surrendered to the Allies to end WWII in Japan.

"The time has come to bear the unbearable"

- ►Japan surrenders on Aug 14, 1945.
- >Official surrender ceremonies were held on Sept. 2, 1945 aboard the USS Missouri near Tokyo Bay.

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Impact of the Bomb



- Temperatures temporarily reached 1 million degrees.
- Within seconds, some 50,000, mostly civilians were dead.
- Fires began as far as 2 miles away.
- 80% of the buildings were destroyed.



Radiation Effects on the Japanese



In the months after the bombings, survivors had to deal not only with burns from the heat and wounds but also the effects of radiation exposure: headaches, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fever, abnormally low white blood cell count, bloody discharge, anemia, and loss of hair. Prolonged effects of exposure included keloids (massive scar tissue on burned areas), cataracts, leukemia and other cancers.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UuLNkROME_8 Start @ 4:00 White Light / Black Rain: Destruction of Hiroshima [excerpts] 7:37 / 9:23