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## Atomic bomb...The right decision



Would you rather be him? Maybe the atomic bomb was a good idea after all.

I think the atomic bomb was the best decision at the time, it saved American soldiers, Japanese civilians, and it forced Japan to surrender.

When we dropped the atomic bomb, we saved thousands of American soldiers lives. In previous strategies, hundreds of thousand American soldiers died. Throughout the island hopping campaign, the Japanese would not give up, they would fight to the death before they would ever surrender. Robert James Madox, an author, states that instead of using a normal bombing or sending troops in, the atomic bomb saved many American lives. Without this there would be a high death toll.

If we hadn't used the atomic bomb, millions of Japanese people would die. Robert James Madox said that, " Conventional bombing would have led to a higher death toll and so the atomic weapons actually saved millions of Japanese lives." Many Japan civilians were killed with other strategies but using the atomic bomb saved

many civilians lives so, without the atomic bomb we would have killed more than millions of people.

If it wasn't for the atomic bomb, Japan wouldn't surrender. Michael Kort, a professor of social science, states that it was clear Japan was unwilling to surrender. When thousand Japanese people died from normal bombing, they still wouldn't surrender. It took 4 years for Japan to surrender. The last major battle of the pacific, at Okinawa, resulted in 82,000 American casualties with 12,500 dead. The Japanese lost 110,071 soldiers and between 30,000 to 100,000 civilians killed. The only way they would surrender is if we hit them with something powerful.

With the conclusion of the atomic bomb, the atomic bomb saved millions of lives and the best decision at the time. So, do you think the atomic bomb was a good idea after all? It was a tough decision but after all millions of people survived and war was over.