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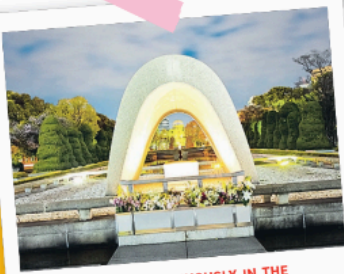
## EXPLORING THE NEWSPAPER

1. Read the article “Did you know that... Hiroshima and Nagasaki” from page 3 and then answer the questions below.

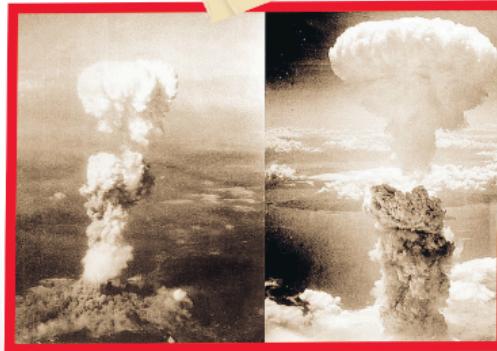
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## Hiroshima and Nagasaki

**THESE TWO JAPANESE CITIES WERE THE TARGET OF THE ONLY NUCLEAR BOMBS EVER USED BY HUMANITY?** Eighty years ago, in August 1945, the United States dropped the devices to force the Japanese to surrender at the end of World War II.



**A FLAME BURNS CONTINUOUSLY IN THE HIROSHIMA PEACE MEMORIAL PARK?** It was lit on August 1, 1964, and will remain so until all nuclear bombs on Earth are destroyed.



**SCHOOLS IN HIROSHIMA TEACH THE VALUES OF PEACE?** Since the city's recovery, Hiroshima has promoted a culture of peace, with monuments and celebrations around the world. In schools, children learn about the past and the importance of peaceful coexistence among peoples.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...



**EACH BOMB WAS MADE FROM DIFFERENT CHEMICAL MATERIALS?** The one in Hiroshima was made of uranium, while the one in Nagasaki was made of plutonium. The power of the weapons instantly destroyed both cities in one of the saddest episodes in our history.

**THE LOTUS FLOWER IS A SYMBOL OF HIROSHIMA'S RECOVERY?** The lotus, which grows in the mud, was one of the first flowers to bloom after the atomic bomb, a year after the attack. Today, countless lotus flowers decorate the Peace Memorial Park.



- a. What happened in August 1945?

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b. What was the importance of the atomic bombs?

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c. Currently some countries have atomic bombs and some do not. Do you think this is fair? Why?

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## **ANSWER KEY**

1.a. In August 1945, the United States dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki to force Japan to surrender at the end of World War II.

1.b. Personal answer.

1.c. Personal answer.