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Essential question:
In what ways do historical relationships between Germany and Poland influence their current interactions post WW2?

Working Claim:
Germany and Poland's relationship is shaped by their complicated history after World War 2, leading them to interact cautiously while still trying to cooperate.

Supporting evidence:

1. A news article from *Al Arabiya* reports that Poland and Germany are discussing an improvement in a defense alliance, to be able to help Ukraine by providing military assistance. (Al Arabiya).
2. In a news article from *Gov.pl*, some of the leaders of Poland and Germany like Prime Minister Donald Tusk and Chancellor Olaf Scholz have joined some European projects with the European Union like the Shield East project (Gov.pl website).
3. According to a *New Eastern Europe* magazine, Władysław Bartoszewski who was a former Poland foreign minister has helped build a Polish-German reconciliation. The documents that have been signed haven't helped solve issues in their mutual relationships (New Eastern Europe).

Reflection:
Based on my research, it seems like Poland and Germany are slowly working together alongside the EU (European Union). This shows that both countries aren't just trying to work together but help other countries like Ukraine with their issues. I want to look more into what specific events post WW2 have caused Poland and Germany to work together. Also, I want to do some research on what else has the EU helped improve Poland and Germany's relationship.