

World War 2

How it began

- Events leading up to it.
- Declaration of war.
- Gasmasks
- Blackouts
- Role of townspeople (ARPs)
- Air Raids
- Shelters (Anderson and Morrison)
- The Blitz
- German Empire

Battle of Britain

- Operation Sealion – Summer 1940.
- Hitler's plan.
- The Luftwaffe.
- Types of aircraft: German Messerschmitt 109, British Spitfire Mk1, British Hurricane Mk1.
- Radar.
- Dogfights.
- Dame Vera Lynn.
- 15th September 1940 – 60 German planes lost. 28 RAF lost.
- Hitler abandoned plan 17th September 1940.
- Ended October 1940.

Vocabulary

- **Bomb shelter** – provided by the government to use during an air raid.
- **Air raid** – When Luftwaffe bombed targets in GB.
- **Blitz** – the name given to the bombing raids Germany made against Britain.
- **Hitler** – German leader of the Nazis.
- **Neville Chamberlain** – GB prime minister between May 1937 to May 1940. Declared war against Germany.
- **Winston Churchill** – GB Prime minister between 1940 to 1945.
- **Battle** – sustained fighting over a period.
- **Evacuee** – someone taken from a dangerous place.
- **Ration** – limit of food and clothing allowed per person.
- **Victory** – winning the battle.
- **Troops** – soldiers who went to war.
- **VE day** – Victory for Europe Day
- **D-Day** – Normandy landings to take back France.
- **Front line** – Where the two sides meet and battle.
- **Operation** – a word used to describe a plan of action.
- **Luftwaffe** – German air force.
- **Siren** – used to warn people about a coming air raid.
- **Blackout** – People asked to block any light from their homes to deter air raids.
- **ARP warden** – Air Raid Precaution officer.
- **English Channel** – Sea between GB and France.
- **RAF** – Royal Air Force.
- **Swastika** – Emblem used by the Nazis.

D-Day

- 6th June 1944.
- Operation Overlord.
- Bletchley Park.
- British code breakers.
- Normandy Landings (175,000 troops from GB landed at Normandy to take back France).
- Paratroopers (06.06.1944).
- British General – Sir Bernard Law Montgomery.
- British Admiral – Sir Bertram Ramsey.
- American General – Dwight D Eisenhower.

VE Day

- 8th May 1945.
- 1st May 1945 - Adolf Hitler died.
- Celebrations.
- VJ day in Japan 15th August -1945.

Adult Ration one week:
Bacon & Ham 4 oz, **Other meat** value of 1 shilling and 2 pence (equivalent to 2 chops), **Butter** 2 oz, **Cheese** 2 oz, **Margarine** 4 oz, **Cooking fat** 4 oz, **Milk** 3 pints, **Sugar** 8 oz, **Preserves** 1 lb every 2 months, **Tea** 2 oz, **Eggs** 1 fresh egg (plus allowance of dried egg), **Sweets** 12 oz every 4 weeks.

Dunkirk

- Operation Dynamo (26.05.1940 – 02.06.1940)
- Soldiers rescued from beach – 338,226 (26,000 French Guards)
- Fisherman Support
- Conditions
- News Reports
- Little Ships – Louise Borden

Evacuees and Rationing

- Areas evacuated.
- Where they were sent.
- Gasmasks.
- Identity tags.
- Jobs awaiting evacuees.
- Dig for Victory.
- What rationing was.
- Rationing books.
- Ration amounts.
- Imported supplies that were stopped.
- Factories changing to make uniforms and parachutes.
- Child handmade games.
- Cooking using rations.
- Make do and mend.