

Y6 Sp 2 – WW2 - Geography

Vocabulary	
Word	Definition
Allied Powers	The countries that worked together and opposed the Axis Powers. The main Allied Powers were Great Britain, United States, France, and the Soviet Union.
Axis Powers	The alignment of nations that fought against the allied forces. The main Axis Powers were Germany, Japan and Italy.
Air raid	An attack by armed aircraft, usually dropping bombs on a surface target.
Rationing	A system of limiting the amount of food, water, petrol or other necessary substances that each person is allowed to buy when there is a shortage.
Evacuation	Means to leave a place. During the second world war, many children had to move away from their homes in big cities.
Blitz	A German bombing campaign against the United Kingdom that happened at night (1940-1941)
Propaganda	This as a way of spreading ideas and influencing people . It was used to shape public opinion.

Previous Knowledge

- KS1, you looked at significant historical events in the local area.
- In Year 3 , Understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography
- In Year 5, you looked at using a compass

Key Questions

What were the different job roles in the war? Why did the children have to evacuate and where? How is life different today? What types of shelters were there in the war? What countries were involved in the war and what side were they on?

Key Facts

- The Battle of Britain, between German Luftwaffe and the Royal Air Force, was the first ever battle to be only fought in the air. It was made up of lots of air battles that lasted from 10th July to October 1940.
- By the end of the Blitz , 60,000 people had died, 87,000 people had been injured and over 2 million homes had been destroyed.
- World War II ended in Europe on the 8th May 1945—Also known as VE day (Victory in Europe).
- World War II carried on for a few months after it ended in Europe, and it officially ended when Japan formally surrendered to the Allies on 2 September 1945.
- World War II lasted from 1939-1945
- World war II began when German troops invaded Poland on 1 September 1939.
- The Uk declared war on Germany on 3rd September 1939. It was announced by the Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain.
- Winston Churchill became Prime Minister for Britain from 1940



Spellings: soldier, vegetable, government, available , bombing, agriculture, counties, chronological , prejudice