




Topic WORLD WAR II		Year: 6	Strand: History																								
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<p>World War II lasted for six years. It began on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1939 and ended on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1945.</p> <p>Over 50 million people were killed during World War II, which affected almost every country in the world.</p> <p>The events of World War II have shaped the world we know today and will continue to impact on our future for a long time to come.</p>		<p>In 1918, Germany lost World War One. Britain, France and America won World War 1. Germany had to give up land and was banned from having any army of its own. Germany had to pay lots of money to Britain and France for starting the war. By 1928 Germany had almost no money. There was no work for anyone and people were starving. In 1933 a man named Adolph Hitler became the leader of the German government and the leader of Germany. He had big plans for his country and started to build up Germany's strength by putting people back to work and becoming a fit and healthy people. He also started to build up a huge army - but Germany had been banned from doing this - it was illegal. By 1935 Germany had become one of the strongest and most powerful countries in the world. Hitler believed the German people were the best in the world and wanted Germany to rule the world. So he ordered his huge army to invade other countries. In 1939 the German armies invaded Poland, Holland, Czechoslovakia, Norway and Finland and took control of their peoples. Hitler ordered his armies to control and rule the countries they had invaded. Everyone living in those countries had to do exactly what the Germans wanted.</p> <p>Hitler did not like Jewish people at all so he had them captured all together by his soldiers, and they were all put in special prison camps. Britain declared WAR on Germany in 1939. In 1940 Winston Churchill became Prime Minister of Britain. He took charge of defending Britain against Germany. Hitler wanted Germany to invade Britain and so he ordered thousands of bomber planes to drop bombs all over Britain. From September 1940 until May 1941 Germany flew thousands of bomber planes over Britain and dropped bombs on cities, factories and houses. This time was called THE BLITZ.</p>	<table><tr><td>Axis</td><td>Countries which fought on the German side (including: Italy, Germany, Japan, Russia (1939-1941))</td></tr><tr><td>Allies</td><td>Countries which fought on the British side (including: USA, Great Britain, France, Russia (1941-1945))</td></tr><tr><td>Evacuation</td><td>Organised movement of children and the vulnerable from towns and cities to safe zones</td></tr><tr><td>Evacuee</td><td>Someone who was evacuated moved from a danger area to a safer place.</td></tr><tr><td>Nazi</td><td>Member of the German political party which came to power in 1933</td></tr><tr><td>Blackout</td><td>System of ensuring no lights were visible after dark so that buildings could not be spotted by enemy planes</td></tr><tr><td>Rationing</td><td>The controlled distribution of scarce resources (food/clothing)</td></tr><tr><td>Blitz</td><td>Series of bombing raids on the UK</td></tr><tr><td>Propaganda</td><td>Controlling news media (such as radio) to show your side in the best way</td></tr><tr><td>Gas Mask</td><td>Face mask to protect people against poison gas</td></tr><tr><td>Air raid</td><td>An attack by planes dropping bombs</td></tr><tr><td>Air raid shelter</td><td>A building to protect people from bombs Anderson Shelter: Made of corrugated iron. Usually at the end of the garden Morrison Shelter: Metal cage used inside the house. Could double as a kitchen table</td></tr></table>	Axis	Countries which fought on the German side (including: Italy, Germany, Japan, Russia (1939-1941))	Allies	Countries which fought on the British side (including: USA, Great Britain, France, Russia (1941-1945))	Evacuation	Organised movement of children and the vulnerable from towns and cities to safe zones	Evacuee	Someone who was evacuated moved from a danger area to a safer place.	Nazi	Member of the German political party which came to power in 1933	Blackout	System of ensuring no lights were visible after dark so that buildings could not be spotted by enemy planes	Rationing	The controlled distribution of scarce resources (food/clothing)	Blitz	Series of bombing raids on the UK	Propaganda	Controlling news media (such as radio) to show your side in the best way	Gas Mask	Face mask to protect people against poison gas	Air raid	An attack by planes dropping bombs	Air raid shelter	A building to protect people from bombs Anderson Shelter: Made of corrugated iron. Usually at the end of the garden Morrison Shelter: Metal cage used inside the house. Could double as a kitchen table
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<p>Children will learn when and why World War II began and find out about the key individuals and countries involved. In addition to this, they will discover all about evacuation; learn what it was like to live with food rationing; know about the home front and explore the contribution made by women to the war effort.</p>																											
<p><b>Important People:</b></p> <p>{citation of images - Wikipedia}</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Adolf Hitler Leader of the Nazi Party and Chancellor of Germany 1933- 1945. Also referred to as Fuhrer.</li><li>Winston Churchill Prime Minister 1940 to 1945 and from 1951 - 1955.</li><li>Neville Chamberlain Prime Minister May 1937-May 1940</li><li>King George VI Dec 1936 - Feb 1952. Father of Elizabeth II</li></ul>		<p><b>Diagrams:</b></p> <p>{citation of images – thinklink}</p> 																									



Question 1: Which countries did Hitler invade in 1939? Tick <b>TWO</b>	Start of unit:	End of unit:
Poland		
England		
America		
Czechoslovakia		

Question 5: WWII officially happened between these years.	Start of unit:	End of unit:

Question 7: What was propaganda?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
Name of Hitler's army		
The German government		
A type of gun		
Deliberate spreading of information		

Question 2: What jobs did women do during WWII? Tick <b>TWO</b>	Start of unit:	End of unit:
Becoming soldiers		
Working on farms		
Making weapons		
They didn't have jobs		

Question 6: Why were ration books introduced?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
So that people could enjoy reading them.		
So that rich people could get all the food.		
So that shopkeepers could get more food.		
So that food supplies could be shared fairly.		

Question 8: What happened to Adolf Hitler?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
He was shot		
He was put in prison		
He committed suicide		
He escaped and was never found		

Question 3: Who did Hitler put in Prisoner of War camps?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
German people		
Jews		
British people		
Soldiers		

Question 7: Who was the Prime Minister of the UK when WWII ended?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
Neville Chamberlain		
Winston Churchill		
Franklin Roosevelt		
Adolf Hitler		

Question 4: What was the Blitz?	Start of unit:	End of unit:
The invasion of other countries		
The bombing of London over 9 months		
The start of WWII		
The end of WWII		

Question 10: Where were children evacuated to during WWII?	Start of unit:	End of unit: