

Year 6 World War II

Key Vocabulary	
Conscription	Being made to join the armed forces to fight in war.
Evacuation	When children leave and area that might be dangerous and go somewhere safer to live.
Rationing	When people are only allowed to buy a fixed amount of certain foods.
Total war	Everyone is involved in the war, not just fighters.
U-boat	German submarine
The Blitz	Bombing raids on London lasting 57 nights and destroying most of the city.
Blitzkreig	A fast moving attack using planes, tanks and infantry at the same time to bring about swift victory.
Atomic bomb	A nuclear weapon first developed by the USA.
Propaganda	Information (often inaccurate) which a political organisation broadcasts to influence people.

10th May 1940 - Germany attacks France, Holland and Belgium 12th August 1940 -Battle of Britain begins

Charles de Gaulle Joseph Stalin Allied powers Axis powers Neutral powers 2nd August 1942 -2nd September 1945 - Japan surrenders 7th December 1941 -Battle of Stalingrad after dropping atomic bombs Japan attacks Pearl begins

Key figures

Adolf Hitler

Winston Churchill

World War II - Timeline of events

3rd September 1939 - Germany invades Poland, allies declare war

26th May 1940 - Dunkirk evacuation, 338,000 allies rescued

22nd June 1941 - Germany launches Operation Barbarossa

6th June 1944 - D-Day

8th May 1945 - VE Day