



Year 6 - Summer 1 - The Blitz



Timeline
3rd Sept 1939 - Britain and France declare war on Germany for invading Poland.
July 1940 - Germany begins bombing attacks on Britain.
August 1940 - Germany tries to destroy the RAF in the Battle of Britain.
Sept 1940 -The Blitz starts as 300 German bombers attack the London docks.
Sep- Dec 1940 -Many towns and cities are heavily bomber by German bombers.
Jan- May 1941 - the Blitz continues.
June- Dec 1941 - German bombers turn their attention to bombing Russia, bombing is Britain is less
1942- 1944 - many important towns in Britain are bombed, V1 and V2 bombs are launched at Britain.
8th May 1945 -Germany loses the war. Victory in Europe Day. There are hundreds of celebrations.

Important People
Neville Chamberlin - Prime Minister of Britain when war broke out in 1939.
Winston Churchill - became Prime Minister in in 1940 and led the country to victory.
Adolf Hitler - leader of the German Nazi party and a dictator of Germany. He murdered millions of people.
George VI - King of England, he stayed in London throughout the war.
Stalin - leader of Russia and an ally of Britain and America.
Franklin. D. Roosevelt - President of the USA and an ally of the UK.
Emperor Hirohito - Emperor of Japan during the war, part of the Axis powers
Charles De Gaulle - Leader of the Free French, a resistance movement in France during the war.

Key Vocabulary

Blitz	A sudden and intense attack, especially by air	Fascist	Someone with extreme right wing views
Allied Powers	Britain, France, USA and Russia formed the Allied Powers	Luftwaffe	The German Airforce
Axis Powers	Germany, Italy and Japan formed the Axis Powers	Evacuee	A person evacuated from a dangerous place
Nazi	A member of the National Socialist German Workers' Party	Evacuation	Removing people from a place of danger
Holocaust	Mass murder of 6 million Jewish people by the Nazis.	Refugees	People who have been forced to leave their homes.

