

Key Vocabulary

Gas mask	Protective mask used to cover a person's face as a defence against poisonous gas.
Evacuee	A person evacuated from a place of danger to somewhere safe.
Ration book	A book issued by a government that allows a person to buy particular foods in times of food shortages, especially during or after a war.
Allies	A person, group, or nation that is associated with another or others for some common cause or purpose; Canada and the United States were allies in World War II.
Timeline	A timeline is a visual representation of a sequences of events, especially historical events.
Shillings	Money.
Invalidate	To invade a place or country.
Concentration camp	A place where the Germans put people they did not like such as Jewish people.
D-Day	The day that United States and British forces attacked the German forces on the shores of Normandy, France. A turning point in the war as the Allies defeated the Germans.
Fuhrer	The title of Adolf Hitler gave himself. It means 'leader' in German.
Holocaust	A term used to describe the murder of 6 million Jewish people by the German Nazi Party.
Luftwaffe	The name for the German air force.
Nazi	The Nazi Party was a political party in Germany led by Adolf Hitler.
RAF	The air force of Great Britain. It stands for Royal Air Force.
V-E Day	Victory in Europe Day. The day the Allied victory in Europe was celebrated; 8 May, 1945.
Wehrmacht	The name for the German army.

World War II



1939	1939	1941	1941	1944	1945	1945
1 st September - Germany invades Poland, starting the war in Europe.	3 rd September - Britain and France declare war on Germany.	22 nd June - Germany invades the Soviet Union, starting the war in the East.	7 th December - Japan attacks Pearl Harbour, bringing the United States into the war.	6 th June - Allied forces land in Normandy, France, on D-Day.	6-9 th August - The United States drops atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan.	2 nd September - Japan surrenders, ending the war.

Battle of Britain Facts:

- The battle began on 10th July 1940.
- The RAF were outnumbered.
- The German Luftwaffe had to destroy Britain's Fighter capability before they could launch an invasion of Great Britain.



Famous Figure: Anne Frank

- She was a Jewish girl who hid from the Nazis in a secret annex in Amsterdam during the war.
- She kept a detailed diary of her life in hiding. Her full name was Annelies Marie Frank.