



World War Two



Key Vocabulary	
Gas Mask	Rationing
Evacuee	Ration Book
Spitfire	Propaganda Posters
Anne Frank	Battle of Britain
Barrage balloon	Blitzkrieg
Air Raid siren	RAF
Anderson Shelter	Luftwaffe

Timeline of key events	
1 st September 1939	Germany invades Poland
1 st September 1939	The first evacuation of children to the countryside begins
3 rd September 1939	Great Britain, France and their allies declare war on Germany
April – June 1940	Germany invades European countries
10 th May 1940	Winston Churchill is elected Prime Minister of Great Britain
10 th July-31 st October 1940	The Battle of Britain is fought in the air above the south coast of England and the English Channel. The Blitz begins.
7 th -11 th December 1940	Japan bomb Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. The USA declare war on Japan, Germany and Italy.
6 th June 1944	D-Day- British, Canadian and US troops land in Normandy, France
8 th May 1944	Britain celebrates Victory in Europe Day (VE Day)
6 th August 1945	First atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima, Japan by the USA
1 st September 1945	Japan surrenders. World War Two ends.

Key figures

Neville Chamberlain	British PM 1937-1940
Winston Churchill	British PM 1940- 1945
Adolph Hitler	Chancellor of Germany 1933-45
Franklin D Roosevelt	President of USA 1933-45
Benito Mussolini	Italian PM 1922-43
Josef Stalin	Led Soviet Union 1920s-1953



Did you know?

- World war two was a battle between two groups of countries-the **ALLIED** Powers and the **AXIS** powers
- The ALLIED powers were Britain, France, Russia, China and the United States of America
- The AXIS powers were Germany, Italy and Japan
- Hitler wanted Germany to rule over Europe. To gain land and power he invaded Poland. When he refused to stop the invasion, Britain and France declared war on Germany. World war Two had begun.
- The bombing of London, known as the Blitz lasted for **57** consecutive nights. Hitler wanted to quash the British spirit so we would surrender.
- The Battle of Britain was the first military campaign fought solely in the air.
- The USA didn't join the war until 1941 when Japan bombed Pearl Harbour (their naval base)in Hawaii

