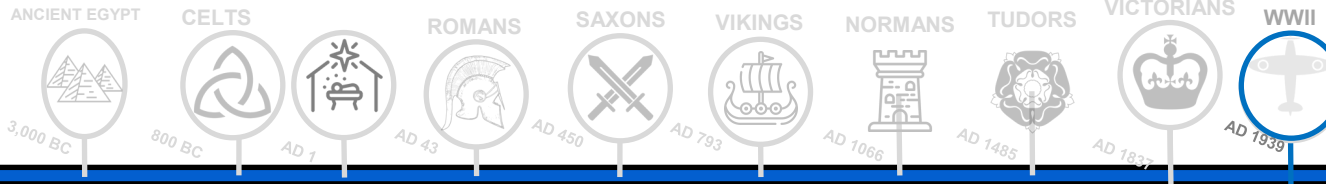


Year 6: What was the impact of WW2 on the people of Britain?

HISTORICAL CONTEXT



Impact of WW2 on women's life

During WW2, women had to play a greater role in society due to the absence of many men. In 1939, around five million women were employed, by 1943, there were over seven million. Women filled employment roles in many different industries and the armed services.



Evacuation

Evacuation took place in stages. When war was declared in September 1939, 1.5 million evacuees were sent to live in safer areas in the countryside. More followed when the Blitz began a year later and again in the middle 1944 when Germany attacked the east and south-east England

KEY QUOTE:



'...we shall fight them on the beaches; we shall fight on the landing grounds; we shall fight in the fields and in the streets; we shall fight in the fields; we shall never surrender...' - Winston Churchill, 4 June 1940.

KEY VOCABULARY



AIR RAID : an attack by armed airplanes on a surface target



BLACK-OUT: An effort to turn all lights off in towns and cities at night to make it more difficult for German planes to find their targets.



THE BLITZ: the Blitz started in September 1940 when German bomber planes began targeting British cities.



CONCENTRATION CAMP: A prison where people,



BATTLE OF BRITAIN: The 1940 air battle between Germany and Britain for air supremacy.



HOLOCAUST: A period in history where millions of Jewish people were killed because of their religion.

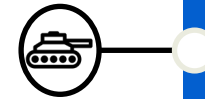


PROPAGANDA: A way of spreading ideas and influencing people. Governments use propaganda to make people believe something.



RATIONING: A controlled system that makes sure that everyone has an equal amount of food when it is in short supply.

Main Events



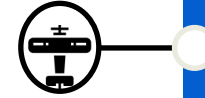
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START OF WORLD WAR II Britain and France declared war on Germany.



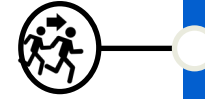
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EVACUATION BEGINS. 1.5 million evacuee were sent to rural locations



1933-1945
THE HOLOCAUST



July—October 1940 BATTLE OF BRITAIN.



September 1940—May 1941
The Blitz



7TH DECEMBER 1941
PEARL HARBOUR ATTACKED.
USA enter WW2



6TH JUNE 1944
D-DAY LANDINGS



September 1943
Italy surrendered to the Allies



7TH MAY 1945
GERMANY SURRENDERS



D-Day June 1944 (the Allied military operation to liberate France).



2ND SEPTEMBER 1945
WORLD WAR II ENDS