Term	Definition			
allies	Countries which fought on the British side (including USA, France, Russia and USA).			
evacuee	Someone who was evacuated (moved from a danger area to a safer place e.g. countryside).			
black out	System of ensuring no lights were visible after dark so that enemy planes could not spot them.			
rationing	The controlled distribution of scarce resources (mainly food and clothing).			
air raid shelter	A building to protect people from bombs dropped by planes.			
axis	Countries which fought on the German side (including Italy and Japan).			
Blitz	Series of aerial bombing raids on the UK.			
Kindertransport	The operation to evacuate Jewish children from Nazi-controlled areas of Europe.			
VE Day	Victory in Europe day – Germany's surrender of its armed forces.			
propaganda	Information used to promote a political cause of point of view (posters and radio adverts).			

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Event	Date		
Start of WWII	1 st September 1939		
End of WWII	2 nd September 1945		
VE Day	8 th May 1945		



What was the role of women during WWII?

At first, only single women aged 20-30 were called up, but by mid-1943, almost 90% of single women and 80% of married women were working in factories, on the land or in the armed forces. Women did a wide range of jobs which pre-war were considered jobs for men: land army, factory work, pilots, engineers, mechanics and many more.



Who? Winston Churchill





Who? Neville Chamberlain

Role? UK Prime Minister 1937 – 1940



Who? Adolf Hitler

Role? Leader of Nazi Party 1921 - 1945

Main Participating Countries						
ALLIED POWERS			AXIS POWERS			
Country	Date Joined	Flag	Country	Date Joined	Flag	
FRANCE	3 rd Sep, 1939		GERMANY	1 st Sep, 1939		
UK	3 rd Sep, 1939		ITALY	11 th Jun, 1940	ŧ	
SOVIET UNION	22 nd Jun, 1941	1 A 4	BULGARIA	1 st Mar, 1941		
USA	8 th Dec, 1941		JAPAN	7 th Dec, 1941		