Britain at War: What was life like on the Home Front 1939-45?

Unit Vocabulary — Join them up with the correct definition once you have learned it,

gas masks						
Home Guard						
Battle of Britain						
Blitzkrieg (Blitz)						
evacuation						
rationing						
air-raid shelters						
censorship						
propaganda						
Allies						
Axis						
annex						
dictator						
invade						
government						

Allowing each person to only have a fixed amount of something.						
Entering an area by force in order to take over.						
Adding territory to one's own territory.						
A ruler with total power over a country.						
The group of people with the authority to govern a country or state.						
The action of moving a person or people from a place of danger.						
The 26 nations that fought against the Axis in WW2.						
Biased or misleading information used to promote a political cause.						
A mask worn on the face to protect from dangerous gases or fumes.						
First ever battle to be fought only in the air; fought between the German Luftwaffe and the Royal						
Air Force.						
The military alliance made up of Germany, Italy and Japan.						
An intense military campaign intended to bring about a quick victory.						
A structure, often located underground, designed to protect people during an air raid.						
Blocking something from being read, heard, or seen.						
A volunteer part-time military force recruited for the defence of the UK during WW2.						

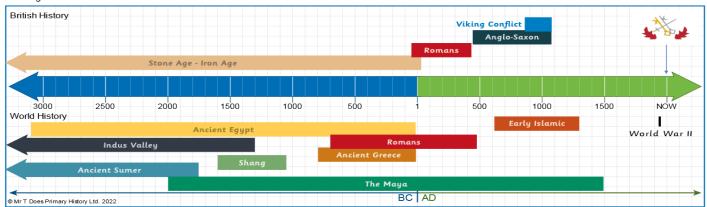
<u>History Golden Words</u> - Look out for them in this unit!







Building our WA Timeline



Key Dates

September	September	May 26 th	July 10 th	September	December	June 6 th	May 7 th 1945	August
1 st 1939	3 rd 1939	1940	1940	7 th 1940	7 th 1941	1944		6 th /9 th 1945
German troops invade Poland	Britain and France declare war on Germany	Allied forces are evacuated from Dunkirk in France	The Battle of Britain begins	The Blitz begins	Japan bombs Pearl Harbour in the US	The D-Day landings	Germany surrenders to the Allies	The US drops atomic bombs on two Japanese cities

Historical Enquiries

- I. Why did Britain have to go to war in 1939?
- 2. Why was it necessary for children to be evacuated?
- 3. How did the Second World War affect Tilford?
 Were people able to carry on normal life during the war?
- 4. How do we know what life on the Home Front was like?
- 5. What happened on VE day?

Historical Skills



Investigate and Interpret the Past



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Understand Chronology

