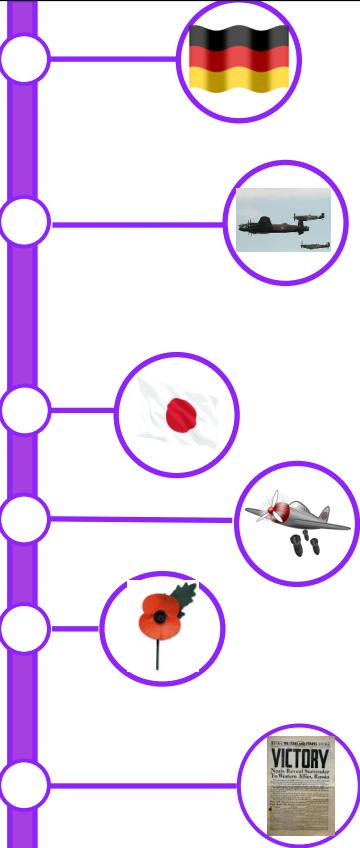


HISTORICAL CONTEXT



KEY EVENTS

- 1939**
1ST SEPT: GERMAN TROOPS INVADE POLAND
3RD SEPT: BRITAIN AND FRANCE DECLARE WAR ON GERMANY
- 1940**
10TH MAY: THE BATTLE OF FRANCE BEGINS
26TH MAY: ALLIED FORCES EVACUATED FROM DUNKIRK IN FRANCE
10TH JULY: THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN BEGINS
7TH SEPT: THE BLITZ BEGINS
- 1941**
22ND JUNE: GERMANY INVADES THE USSR
7TH DEC: JAPAN BOMBS PEARL HARBOUR IN THE US
- 1943**
16TH&17TH MAY: THE DAMBUSTERS BOMBING RAID IS CARRIED OUT
- 1944**
6TH JUNE: THE D-DAY LANDINGS
- 1945**
7TH MAY: GERMANY SURRENDERS TO ALLIES
8TH MAY: VE DAY
6TH AUG: USA DROP AN ATOIC BOMB ON HIROSHIMA (JAPAN)
9TH AUG: USA DROP AN TOMIC BOMB ON NAGASAKI (JAPAN)
14TH AUG: JAPAN SURRENDERS TO THE WEST
2ND SEPT: THE OFFICIAL END OF THE WAR



KEY PEOPLE

Three circular portraits with names below them:

- Neville Chamberlain**
- Adolf Hitler**
- Winston Churchill**

Plymouth Blitz

Text and images describing the Plymouth Blitz:

- Plymouth Blitz**
March-April 1941.
Large parts of the city were destroyed
- Churchill visited the city.**
- King George VI and Queen Elizabeth visited the city on 20th March to inspect the damage.**

Key Questions

- What would it have been like to be a child in WWII?
- What lasting effect did WWII have on Plymouth?

KEY VOCABULARY

- Allies** - The United Kingdom, France and Poland, later joined by other countries, including the USSR (Soviet Union), the United States of America and China.
- Axis** - The Axis Powers were originally Germany, Japan and Italy. Other countries joined them later.
- Nazi Party** - A German political party with racist and anti-Jewish ideas, led by Adolf Hitler.
- Atomic Bomb** - A very high energy bomb made of radioactive material.
- Annex** - To take another country's land and make it part of your country.
- Czechoslovakia** - a European country. Now two countries: the Czech Republic and Slovakia.
- Propaganda** - Information designed to promote a political idea or opinion.
- Active service** - Taking part in a military operation as part of the armed forces.
- Rationing** - Restrictions on what you can buy.
- Evacuation** - During World War II, over 3.5 million children, along with some of their teachers and helpers, mothers with very young children, pregnant women and people with disabilities, were evacuated from the cities to the countryside, where it was believed they would be far safer from bombing.
- The Holocaust** - is the term for the killing of over six million Jewish people before and during World War II, organised by Adolf Hitler and the Nazi party. Jewish people were openly bullied, persecuted, abused and discriminated against before and during the war.