

History Flashcards: World War II

Learning objective: To identify and understand key terms and concepts related to World War II for Year 4 history.

Read the front of the flashcard, try to recall the answer, then check the back to see if you were correct. These cards feature Ellie the Elephant, who is helping us learn about this important time in history.

What is an evacuee?

A person, usually a child, who was moved from a city to the countryside to stay safe during the war.

What was 'Rationing'?

A system used to limit the amount of food and goods people could buy, ensuring everyone had a fair share.

What was the 'Home Front'?

The activities and experiences of people living in the UK while the soldiers were away fighting.

What was an Anderson Shelter?

A small, steel shelter built in back gardens, often covered with soil, to protect families from air raids.

What was the 'Blackout'?

A rule requiring all windows to be covered at night so enemy planes could not see cities in the dark.

What does 'Dig for Victory' mean?

A government campaign that encouraged people to grow their own vegetables to help with food shortages.

Who were the Allies?

The group of countries, including the UK, France, and the USA, that fought against the Axis powers.

What was the 'War Effort'?

The combined work of the whole country, including factories and farming, to support the military and win the war.

What was a Morrison Shelter?

A large, cage-like indoor table shelter that families could sleep under during an air raid.

What was a 'Utility' item?

Simple, long-lasting clothing or furniture designed to save materials and money during the war.

Why did people carry a gas mask?

Everyone was given a gas mask to carry at all times in case of a chemical attack, which fortunately did not happen in the UK.

What was the role of the Women's Land Army?

Women who stepped in to work on farms to produce food for the nation when men were away at war.