

Ellie's WWII Social Studies / History Word Mat

Learning objective: To understand key vocabulary related to the Second World War and its impact on life in Britain.

Key Vocabulary

Use this word mat to help you with your history research. Terms are grouped by theme for easy reference. Ellie the elephant has gathered these words to help you remember the important events and experiences of the 1939–1945 period.

Allies The countries, including Britain, Franc...	Axis The alliance of countries led by Germa...	Evacuee A child sent away from cities to the...
Rationing A system used by the government...	Home Front The name given to the activities...	Blitz A period of intense, heavy bombing rai...
Anderson Shelter A small, curved steel shel...	Blackout A rule requiring all windows and d...	Air Raid Siren A loud, wailing alarm used to...
Propaganda Information, such as posters or...	Conscription When the government makes i...	Merchant Navy The fleet of ships that carrie...
Victory in Europe... The day on 8th May 19...	Dig for Victory A campaign encouraging pe...	Gas Mask A protective device worn over the ...
If you were an ev...	Explain why the '...	Why was the 'Dig ...
Define 'Rationing'...	How did the 'Air ...	