



Year 5 Knowledge Organiser – World War II



Key Vocabulary

Home Front	The actions of civilians back at home during wartime.
The Blitz	A military tactic of quick, intense bombing of key locations from the air.
Evacuation	Children leaving their homes to places considered safer, e.g. countryside.
Propaganda	The deliberate spreading of information to influence the thinking of a nation
Rationing	Setting limits on buying certain products, e.g. meat, butter and clothes
RAF	Royal Air Force.
Luftwaffe	The German Air Force
Nazi	A member of Hitler's Nationalist Socialist Party
Civilian	A person not in the army or police force



Britain at War – Classified Intel

1. WWII began: 01.09.1939
2. The Nazi party invaded: Czechoslovakia, Poland, Belgium, Netherlands and France
3. Food was in short supply and had to be rationed
4. Civilians had to grow their own crops to help the war effort
5. The Blitz: 07.09.1940 - 11.05.1941
6. Due to the Blitz children were evacuated to the countryside
7. Battle of Britain: 10.07.1940 – 31.10.1940
8. Anne Frank kept a diary as she and her Jewish family hid for more than 2 years
9. The war meant that school life was completely different
10. VE Day: 08.05.1945

