

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

YEAR 6

What were the most influential factors in the outcome of the Battle of Britain?

My Sticky Learning

Why did Britain declare war on Germany?

By invading Poland, Germany broke the peace treaty.

The Luftwaffe was believed to be superior. Germany was training 800 pilots a month, Britain just 200.

During the Battle of Britain, the Blitz (Blitzkrieg) happened.

Germany wanted to invade Britain and had to do it by the skies. It was their first major failure during WWII.

Many children were evacuated from cities (especially London) to the countryside for their own safety.

Key Date

Key Event

1939 September 1st	Germany (Hitler) invades Poland breaking the peace treaty.
1939 September 3rd	Britain declares war on Germany.
1940 July—October	The Battle of Britain.
1944 June 6th	D-Day—The Allies invade Europe. Around 160,000 troops landed by sea and air on the French coastline.
1945 May 7th	Germany surrenders to the allies.
1945 July 5th	The creation of the NHS

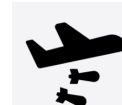
Vocabulary

Definition

Picture

The Blitz
Blitzkrieg

A prolonged period of German air raids on Britain. From the German 'blitzkrieg' which means 'lightning war'.



WWII

World War Two

Rationing

Controlling the supply of food, clothes, petrol and other products to avoid or reduce shortages.



Conscription

Compulsory enlistment into the army.



Luftwaffe

The German air force during the war.



RAF

Royal Air Force (The British air force.)

Spitfires

A British aircraft, particularly used during the Battle of Britain and known for its speed and agility.



Propaganda

Information, especially of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote a political cause or point of view.

Radar

Radio Detection and Ranging

The use of radio waves to detect objects beyond the range of sight.

