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ORANGE INSTITUTION

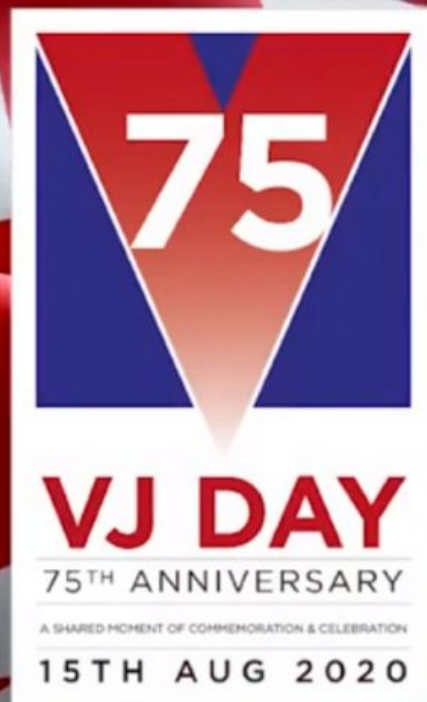
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VJ DAY

CELEBRATIONS

A VIRTUAL VJ DAY





Join Us With a

STAY AT HOME STREET PARTY!



15th August 2020

DECORATE YOUR HOUSE
RED, WHITE & BLUE
AND ENJOY A PICNIC IN
YOUR FRONT GARDEN!



UNITE TO REMEMBER

PLAN TO JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE VJ DAY

VIRTUAL VJ DAY PARTY PACK

PROGRAMME

To keep you in step with the national commemorations, and events

ACTIVITIES

From recipes and children's activities we have plenty to keep you entertained

LEARNING

Some recourses to help us all understand the significance of the day.

They Did Their Duty Let Us Do Ours

In these challenging times we face many restrictions and limits to our freedom. Many are suffering as a result of this pandemic, through illness, bereavement, or economic hardship. It prevents us meeting, sharing special moments and living lives as we would wish. It is perhaps as close to total war as our generation will get. As we endure this lockdown let us take time to remember previous generations who have suffered and sacrificed so that we may choose to accept a temporary restriction of our freedom.

As an Institution the Independent Loyal Orange Order had many plans to mark this the 75th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War and to commemorate the suffering and sacrifice of the Allied Nations, in particular the many men and women of our Order who served in the Cause of Freedom. In memory of and inspired by their fighting spirit we have continued with our commemorations in an exciting new virtual format.



VE DAY

Victory in Japan Day

In August 1945 Japan surrendered to the Allies and, after long years of fighting, the war in the Far East came to an end. Millions of people up and down the country greeted the news with bonfires, bunting, parades and parties, and there was singing and dancing in the streets.

This pack will help you put together your own celebrations to mark the 75th anniversary of VJ Day.

While we had parades, services and other events in mind to mark this national event, the present restrictions mean that we will all have to do things differently. So we have prepared a few

ideas and activities for your lodge, church, or family.

They can be shared and conducted safely and we would first and foremost remind everyone to adhere to the government restrictions and social distancing rules. Just as the nation followed the rules and together we won the war, we can all work together to win this war.

So from a forties themed tea party in your home to a family picnic in the garden, let us celebrate virtually



In Step with the Nation, a Programme of Events

To our members who served or lived through the war we pay tribute and would encourage younger family and lodge members to take time to have a chat, to learn about their experiences and to thank them for all they did in those dangerous times.

That wartime generation has much to teach us in terms of spirit, courage and determination.

As a nation we unite to pay tribute to them all, and to remember that moment when the guns fell silent. Their selfless service is brought home to us by the remarkable

story of Captain Sir Tom Moore whose fundraising in the run up to his 100th Birthday saw him raise over £ 40 Million for NHS Charities.

We would like to dedicate our Virtual VJ Day to him., since he saw service in that theatre of war.



PROGRAMME

VJ DAY 2020 UK SCHEDULE

6am

Battle's O'er

9.30am

**VJ Day 75: The Nation Remembers
on BBC**

10.58am

The Last Post

11am

Two minute silence

11.02am

Reveille

11.10am

The Cry for Peace Around the World

8.18pm

Sunset

8.30pm

**VJ Day 75: The Nation's
Tribute on BBC**

ACTIVITIES



Join in the Celebrations

Create your own VJ Day Bunting

With our range of different styles, decorate and colour in your own bunting and hang it on your window to help inspire your neighbours to join in! Celebratory bunting was hung on the streets and houses across the country. The 'mend and make do' culture of the Second World War meant materials were easily accessible to allow everyone to join with this activity.

Make it a Flag Day

Celebrate just like they did in 1945 with the flag they fought to defend. Wave and display the Union Jack flag. Fly your flag from your home or hall. Grab a wooden spoon or stick in your garden and you too can wave the flag and help honour those who in today's world are working so heroically in helping to save lives.

Get Creative

Finish our VJ Day poster or Get inventive and design your own to put in your window. Colour it in and tell the world how you are planning on celebrating the special occasion. Why not combine a tribute to the heroes of the past with a tribute to the heroes on today in our frontline services.

Paint VJ Day 75 rocks

Children can cheer up friends and neighbours by painting and leaving special VJ Day or 1940s themed rocks dotted around their local area - it's guaranteed to put a smile on everyone's face as they go on their daily walks or essential journeys!

Get Cooking

Wartime cooking challenge. We have selected a few of our favourite recipes from historic ration cookbooks.

Take a Picture and Post it

Share Your Virtual VJ Day with us and let us make it an online national event.

Dig for Victory

Help in the war against climate change by planting a tree to commemorate the past. That way we can all help the planet for future generations.



GET CREATIVE

Join in the Celebrations

Create your own VJ Day Bunting

- 1 Print out the bunting templates and colour in as many of the bunting flags as you like. The more you colour in the longer your bunting is.
- 2 Cut out your flags following the solid black line. Fold each flag in half along the dotted line, you should now have a triangle shape.
- 3 Cut a piece of string or ribbon and fold the flag over and glue in place. Repeat this with all of your bunting flags.
- 4 If you don't have a printer at home, why not trace, or copy, the outline and cut and colour your own bunting.



We would love to see the results so take a picture.

Across small towns and local communities the main focus of events on VE Day were usually on children. They celebrated with street parties, parades, fancy dress, and sports days. Making decorations out of whatever they had to hand, newspaper party hats were a favourite. Here is how to make a simple newspaper hat.

Using a large newspaper or piece of paper, fold the paper in half.



Fold the top two corners down so they meet in the middle.



Fold the bottom front flap upwards and repeat on the other side.

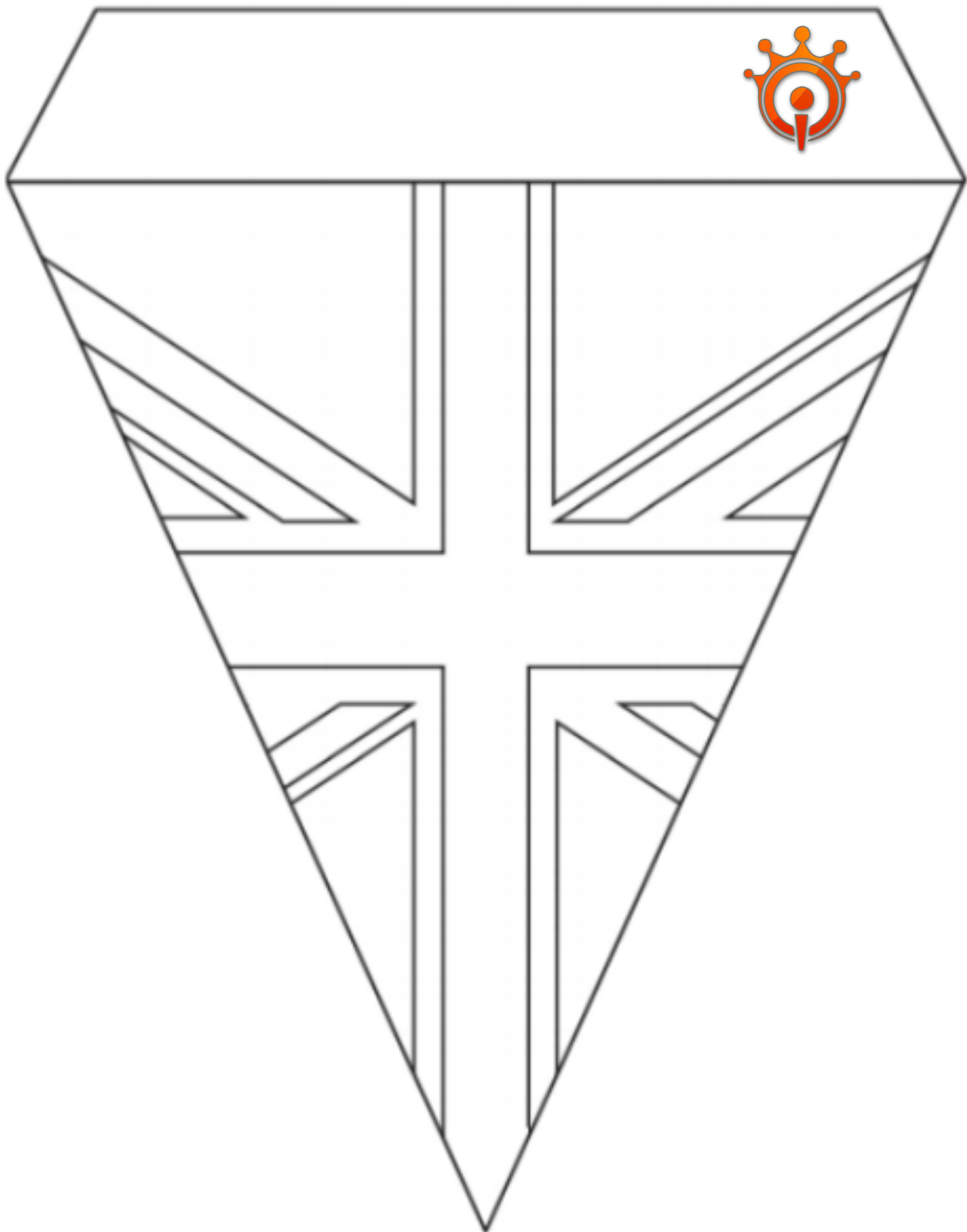


How Did 1940s Children Celebrate

The War was a time of hardship for many children. Tens of thousands of city children were evacuated for their safety. They were forced to leave their parents often separated from their brothers and sisters and taken to the safety of the countryside to protect them from the Blitz - nightly enemy bombing raids on British cities.

The end of the war meant they could return home and get back to their old schools. They had few toys or luxuries so many of the things they played with and celebrated with were home made.

Why don't you have a go at making a paper hat, which you can see in old VJ Day photographs.



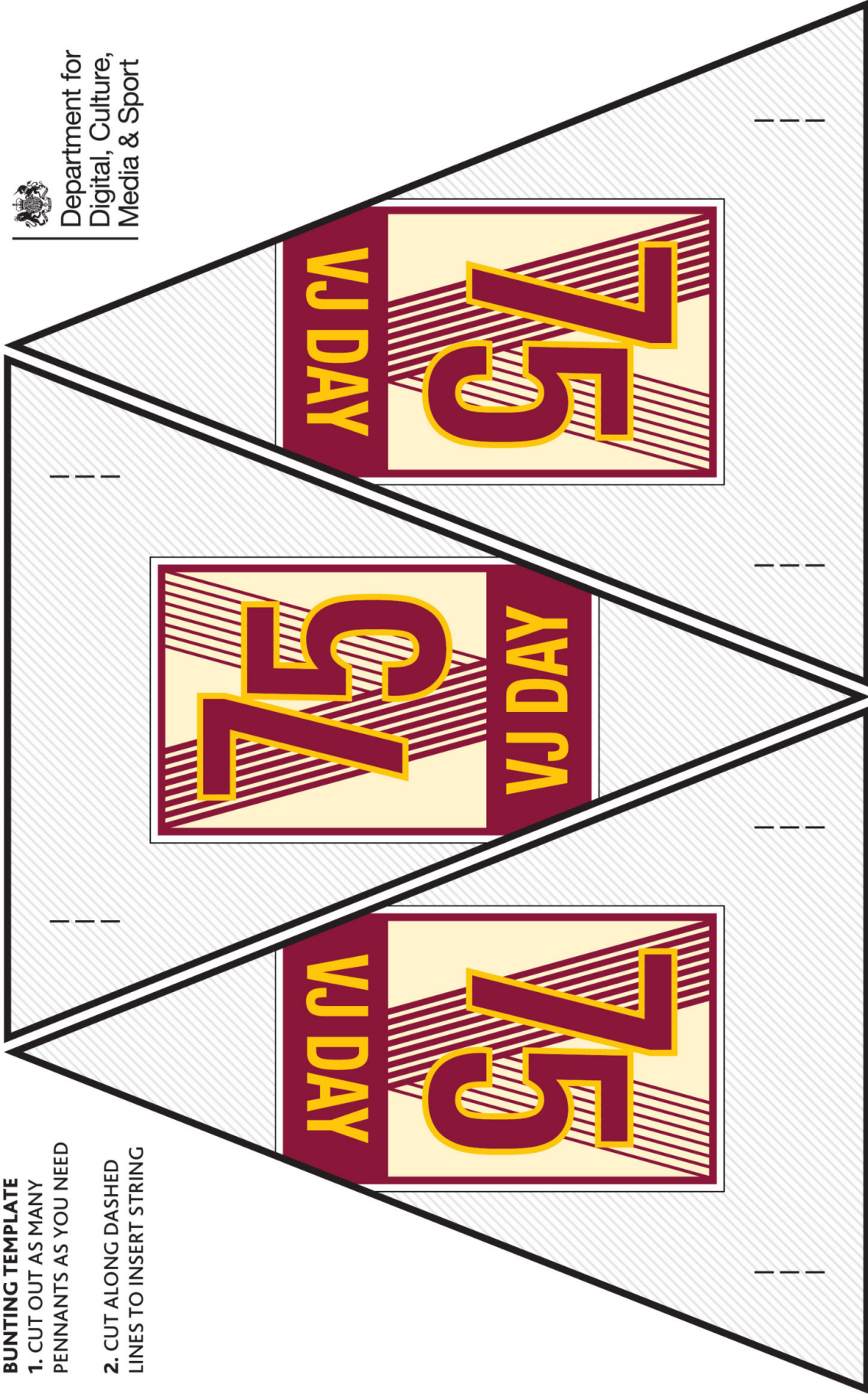


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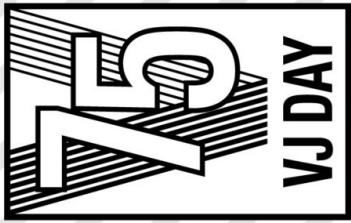


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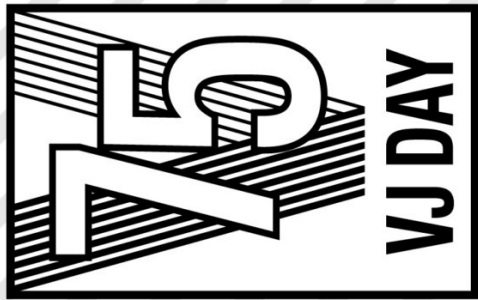


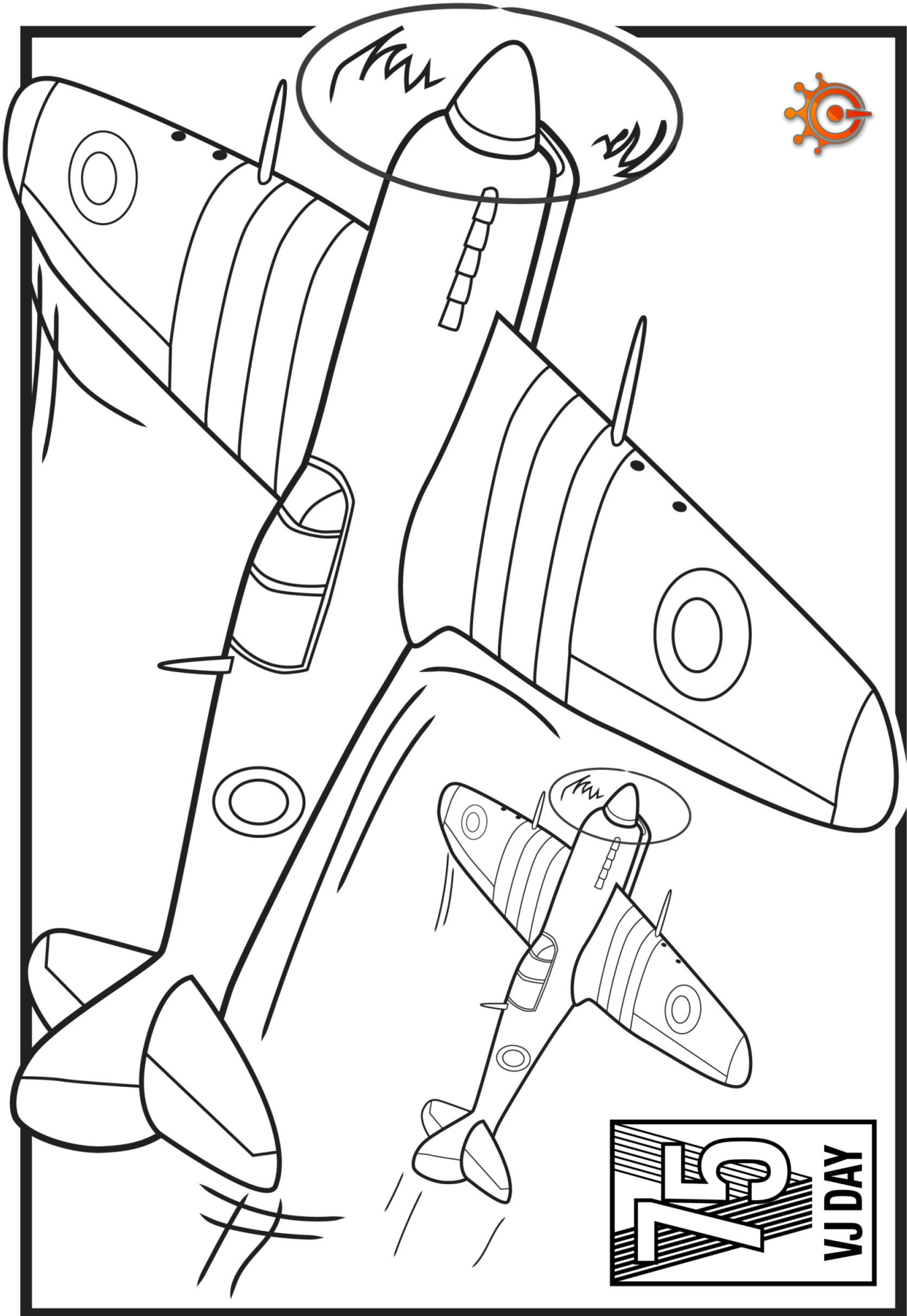


V FOR VICTORY



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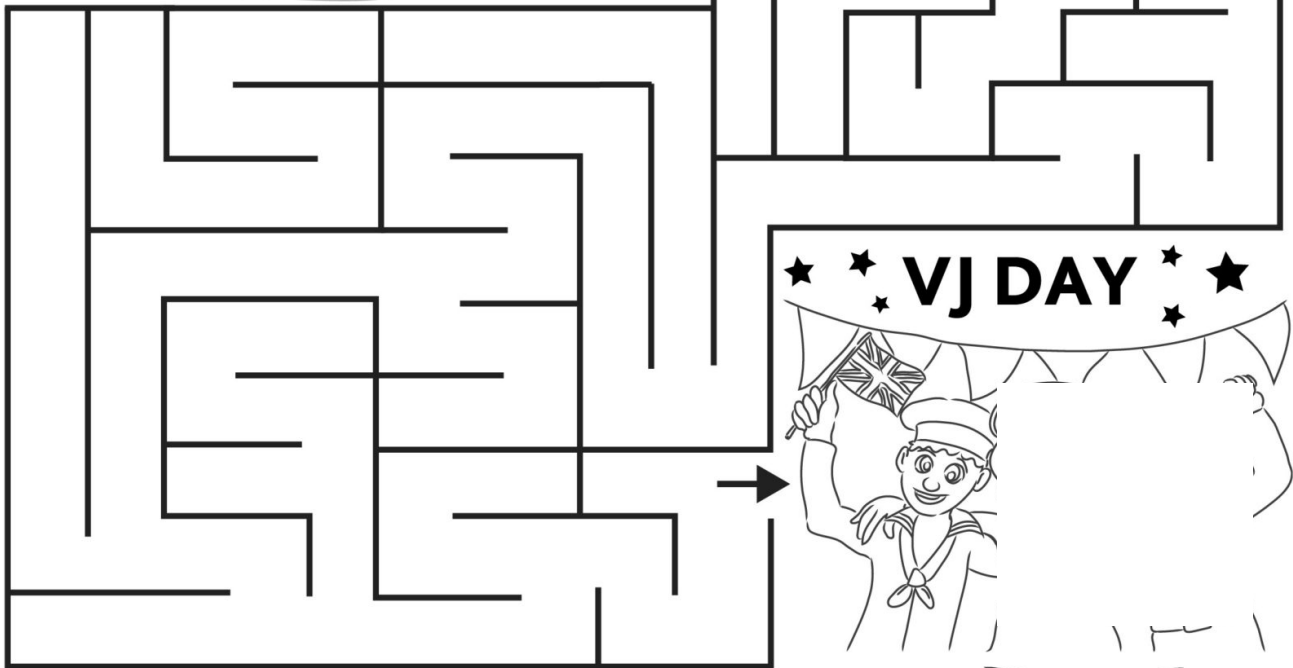




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VJ DAY



**HELP OUR THREE HEROES
GET TO THE VJ DAY CELEBRATIONS**

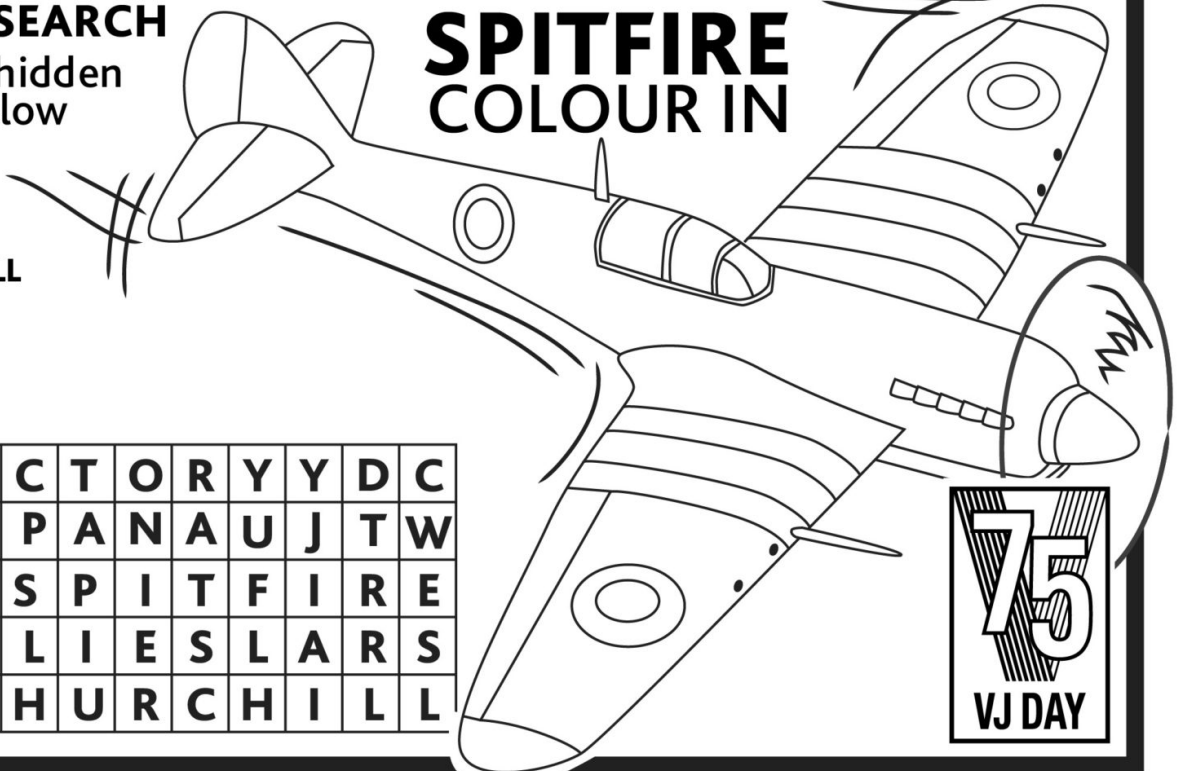


WORD SEARCH

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- ALLIES
- CHURCHILL
- VICTORY
- SPITFIRE
- JAPAN

**SPITFIRE
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RECIPES

Churchill's Lemonade

3 lemons
2 oz / 55g granulated sugar 2 pints / 1.2 litres water

METHOD

1. Peel the rind from the lemons and cut them into 1cm slices.
2. Place the lemon rinds in a bowl and sprinkle the sugar over them. Let this stand for about an hour.
3. Boil the water and then pour over the sugared lemon rinds. Allow this mixture to cool and then strain.
4. Squeeze the lemons into another bowl. Pour the juice through a sieve into the sugar mixture. Stir well, pour into a jug and pop it in the fridge. Serve with ice.

Home Front Hash

340g/1 tin of corned beef, diced 500g peeled diced cooked potatoes 150g finely chopped onions
3 tbsp of butter/margarine Worcestershire Sauce or tabasco
4 eggs soft boiled, shelled and halved. Salt and pepper

Gently fry the onions in a little of the butter until they are soft and golden, add the remaining butter and when hot throw in the potatoes and corned beef. Season with salt and pepper and carefully mix onions through and add a dash of Worcestershire sauce or tabasco to taste. Press down into an omelette shape in the pan. When nicely browned turn and brown on the other side. Divide up and serve in individual small bowls with fresh parsley and a halved egg on top.

Dig For Victory Carrot Scones

12 tbsps self raising flour & 1 teaspoon baking powder – sifted together
2 tbsp butter (or margarine) 4 tbsp sugar
8 tbsp grated carrot
A few drops of vanilla essence
English Heritage Raspberry Preserve

METHOD

1. Pre-heat oven to gas mark 6 / 200°C. Grease a baking tray.
2. Leave the butter out so that it becomes nice and soft to work with - this makes it easier to mix in the sugar. Beat these until they are light and creamed.
3. Add in the grated carrot, a bit at a time. It won't look like the prettiest thing in the world – but stick with it. Add in the vanilla.
4. Slowly add the sifted flour. The more you beat, the more moisture the carrots will release to bind the mixture together. You will be left with a ball of sticky carrot-flecked dough.
5. Pinch and roll the desired amount between your hands. This recipe should make around 12 scones.
6. Place on baking tray and sprinkle with a little sugar (optional). Cook in the centre of the oven for about 20 minutes.
7. Once firm on top and at the sides, remove from the oven and cool. Remove from the oven and cool.

VJ Day Trifle

3 Swiss Roll with 4 tbsp sherry
2 x Strawberry or Raspberry Jelly 75g Custard powder; 1.2l Milk; 50g sugar
300-450ml Double Cream; 2 tbsp icing sugar
1 tsp vanilla extract
Fresh Raspberries and Blueberries

Cut slices of swiss roll and arrange around the bottom and sides of a large glass bowl. Drizzle with sherry. Dissolve one jelly as per the instructions on the packet and carefully pour onto the layer of swiss roll. Place in the fridge to set. Make the custard as per the pack instructions using the measurements given here to make a nice thick custard. Cover the surface with cling film and leave to cool. Once cool, pour the custard over the set swiss roll jelly layer and push evenly to the sides. Allow to set uncovered so it forms a skin. Dissolve and make the second jelly packet allowing it to set slightly before spooning on top of the custard. Whip the double cream with vanilla and icing sugar until it holds soft peaks. Spoon a layer of cream on top of the jelly layer smoothing the surface. Arrange the raspberries and blueberries to form a union jack pattern

WAR TIME SONGS

We'll Meet Again

We'll meet again
We'll meet again,
Don't know where,
Don't know when
But I know we'll meet again some sunny day
Keep smiling through,
Just like you always do
Till the blue skies drive the dark clouds far away
So will you please say "Hello"
To the folks that I know
Tell them I won't be long
They'll be happy to know
That as you saw me go
I was singing this song
We'll meet again,
Don't know where,
Don't know when
But I know we'll meet again some sunny day

Roll Out the Barrel

Roll out the barrel,
We'll have a barrel of fun
Roll out the barrel,
We've got the blues on the run, Zing
boom tararrel,
Ring out a song of good cheer, Now's
the time to roll the barrel, For the
gang's all here Da-da-da-da, da-da-da-
da Da-da-da-da, da-da-da-da

White Cliffs of Dover

There'll be bluebirds over,
The white cliffs of Dover,
Tomorrow, just you wait and see.

There'll be love and laughter,
And peace ever after,
Tomorrow when the world is free.

The shepherd will tend his sheep, The
valley will bloom again.
And Jimmy will go to sleep, In his own
little room again.

There'll be blue birds over,
The white cliffs of Dover,
Tomorrow, just you wait and see

Its a Long Way To Tipperary

It's a long way to Tipperary,
It's a long way to go.
It's a long way to Tipperary
To the sweetest girl I know.

Goodbye Piccadilly,
Farewell Leicester Square.
It's a long, long way to Tipperary,
But my heart's right there.

Pack up your troubles
Pack up your troubles in your old
kit-bag,
And smile, smile, smile.
While you've a Lucifer to light your
fag,
Smile boys, that's the style.

What's the use of worrying,
It never was worthwhile, so
Pack up your troubles in your old
kit-bag,
And smile, smile, smile.

Northern Ireland's Role in Victory

Almost 40,000 men enlisted to fight with thousands more in the B Specials forming the backbone of the Home Guard and hundreds of thousands of men and women were employed in crucial war industries.

Northern Ireland also played a key role in the Second World War as a result of its geographical importance. Éire as the Republic of Ireland was called did not fight with the Allies choosing to remain neutral. By refusing to grant Britain access to the Treaty ports, on the Atlantic

coast ports and aerodromes in Northern Ireland constituted the most westerly territory in the United Kingdom from which air sorties and convoy escorts could be launched into the Atlantic ocean. Londonderry and Lough Erne proved an important step in closing the air gap in the Battle of the Atlantic which proved crucial in defeating the U-Boat threat. Victory in the Atlantic was crucial in overall victory.

If the War in the Atlantic had been lost, Nazi Germany could have literally starved our island nation into submission. Instead the role of Ulster in the war both in the War in the Atlantic and later as a bridge head for American troops in the build up to D-Day ensured that the Allies were victorious and Fascism defeated.

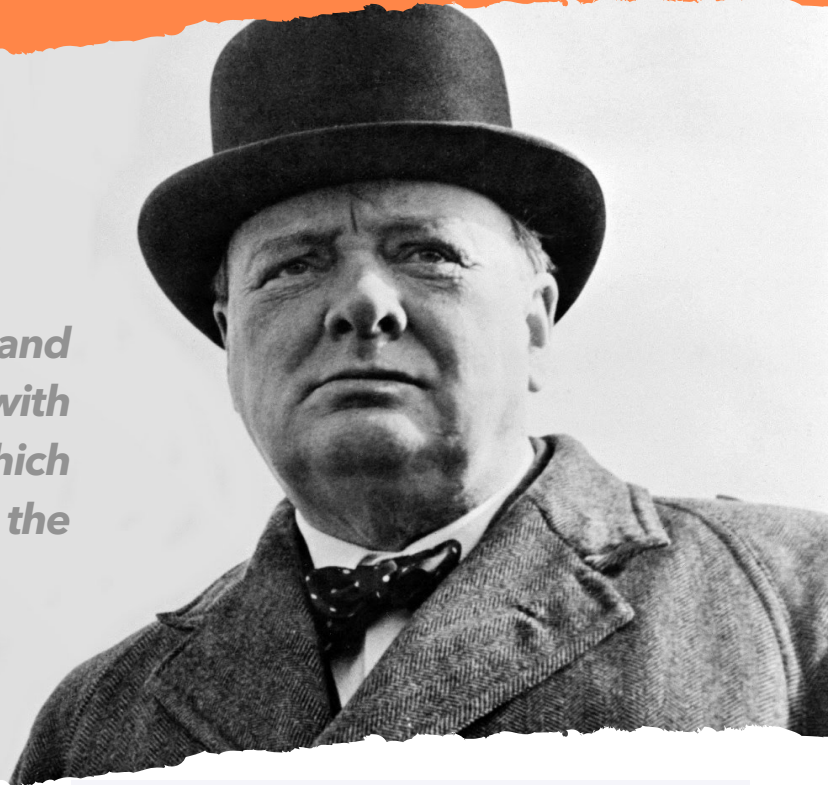


1. Harland and Wolff shipyard produced 140 warships, 123 merchant ships and repaired 3,000 vessels. Over 500 tanks, 13 million aircraft parts and 800 gun-mountings were also manufactured. Hundreds of other firms worked to support the war effort.
2. Although conscription was not applied in Northern Ireland, 38,000 people enlisted in the armed forces, of whom just over 10% died. Many served with distinction, like James Magennis, a Royal Navy submariner, who was awarded the Victoria Cross.
3. Some of the most famous war time leaders and generals were Ulster Scots. Viscount Alanbrooke the architect of victory in Europe, General Sir Richard O'Connor and Field Marshall Sir Claude Auchinleck all played pivotal roles in the Victory.

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War
Facts

Sir Winston Churchill's Victory Speech 13 May 1945

But for the loyalty of Northern Ireland we should have been confronted with slavery and death and the light which now shines so strongly throughout the world would have been quenched.



Loyalty in Action

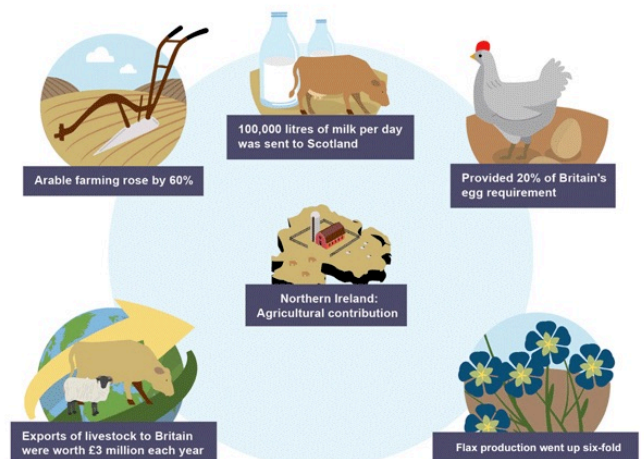
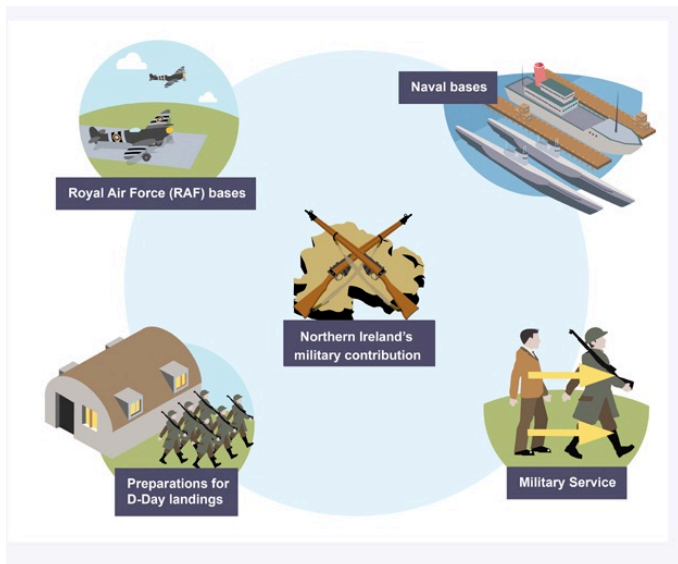
The First World War or the Great War was supposed to be the 'war that ends all wars' but within twenty years Europe had slide back into the grip of war.

This however was 'total war' with civilian populations now in the firing line with the wide scale bombing of cities, and the attempt to block supplies leading to rationing and other hardships.

The war saw the Ulster 'home front' develop with homes, farms and factories all doing their bit.



Learning about the war should be more about battles and leaders its is about the ordinary men and women who secured victory.



REMEMBERING

Act of Remembrance

On Sunday we would encourage you to take time during what will be a time of family devotion to remember.

Reading

God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble. *Psalm 46.1*

I lift up my eyes to the hills - from whence will my help come? My help comes from

the Lord, Who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 121.1-2*

Prayer

To remember all those who served and continue to serve in the Armed Forces.

Act of Remembrance

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

We will remember them.

Two Minutes Silence

Time of Reflection

The Kohima Epitaph is said:

When you go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today.





**Remember VJ
Day on Saturday
15 August**

**Two minute silence
at 11am**



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Vision

Orange Heritage at the heart and in the hearts and heads of the community.

Mission

To preserve, interpret and make accessible for all, the past and present of Orangeism

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