

Key Stage 2 Home Learning Pick 'n' Mix Activities – VE Day activities

To extend your learning, you can choose to complete as many tasks as you like from the options below.

 <p>'Stay At Home' Street Party</p> <p>Read this article on Newsround and look closely at the photographs. How did people celebrate in 1945? Plan your own 'stay at home' street party.</p> <p>What games could be played? What decorations would be put up? What food would be eaten? Who would be there? Is there anyone in your family who went to a VE Day party you could speak to?</p> <p>Have a look at this pack from English Heritage for more ideas.</p> <p>For something more simple, you could design your own VE Day party invitation or make a Union Jack flag out of Lego!</p>	<p>Great British Bunting</p> <p>BBC Local Radio are encouraging people to take part in commemorating VE Day by making your own special 'Great British Bunting' to display in your window for your 'Stay at Home Street Party'.</p>  <p>Visit their website for ideas, videos, templates and more.</p>	<p>Wartime Recipes</p> <p>With one rationed egg and a packet of powdered milk in the larder, World War II's home cooks had to be creative. Find out what families were eating over 75 years ago. Create some delicious meals using the recipe ideas below. You could serve them at your 'Stay at Home Street Party!'</p> <p>Wartime Ration Recipes WW2 Cake Wartime Scones Jam Tarts</p> 																											
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<p>Understanding World War Two/VE Day</p> <p>On 8th May 1945, Britain celebrated the end of World War Two. To understand why VE Day was so important, you need to understand WW2. Visit these sites to help in your research:</p> <p>Primary Homework Help - WW2 A Brief Overview of World War II – Video BBC Teach - VE Day</p> <p>Can you create a timeline of important events leading up to VE Day?</p>	<p>Make, Do and Mend</p> <p>During WW2, there was a shortage of materials to make clothes. People were urged to "Make, do and mend".</p> <p>Do you have any clothes or accessories that you could 'upcycle' into new clothing or something completely different to give it another purpose and a new lease of life?</p> 	<p>Spitfire Science</p> <p>Design and make your own Spitfire. You could make it out of paper, wood, recycled materials, etc. Test out your design. How far does it glide?</p> <p>Does the material used for a paper plane affect the distance it travels? Try using newspaper, card, tinfoil, etc and carry out a test. Remember, only change ONE thing to make it a fair test.</p> 																											