KS2 Topic KCV – World War 2

Global Citizenship Link: The genocide of the Jews





Key Knowledge

- To know some the causes of world war 2
- To recognise the effect of conflict on borders and people
- To know that British troops had to be evacuated from France early in the war
- To know how Britain managed to defend her shores
- To know how Jewish people faced persecution and genocide in Europe

Key Concept Questions

Why did Europe's borders change so much during the 20th century? Why did Britain and its allies declare war on Nazi Germany? What happened at Dunkirk in 1940 and why? What was the battle of Britain and how was it won? What was the holocaust?

High Frequency Vocabulary (Tier 2)		
conflict	Luftwaffe	Battle
army	Wehrmacht	Chronological
navy air force	Chancellor Prime Minister	treaty source

Subject Specific Vocabulary (Tier 3)			
propaganda	biased information used to promote a political cause or point		
	of view		
BEF	British Expeditionary Force		
persecution	persistent annoyance or harassment		
air power	the ability to defend or attack by means of aircraft		
genocide	attempt to destroy a nation or group by killing		
antisemitism	hostility to or prejudice against Jewish people		
Anschluss	unification of Germany and Austria		
remilitarisation	the act of militarising again		
Lebensraum	living space		
Sudetenland	North, south and west parts of old Czechoslovakia		
Nazism	the political principles of the National Socialist German Work-		
	ers' Party		
Fuhrer	leader or guide		
reparations	providing payment or other assistance to those who have		
	been wronged		

1. Can you fill in the meaning of these words?

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Can you answer these questions?

How do you think our learning from the Mayans topic could help us in this new topic?

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