

Germany surrenders



The war in Europe is finally over as Nazi Germany officially surrenders to the Allies ending nearly six years of war in Europe.

Celebrations began late last night across Europe and America with today, 8th May, officially declared as VE Day!

Bunting and Union Jack flags can be seen lining the streets as celebrations erupt across the country from cities and towns, to small villages to mark this momentous occasion. Crowds have been gathering from Trafalgar Square and up the Mall to Buckingham Palace in anticipation of seeing Prime Minister Winston Churchill and King George VI appear on the balcony at the palace.

May 8th and 9th have been declared Public Holidays and the nation is called upon to remember the men, women and children who have suffered and died. We shall also salute the men who are still fighting in the Far East and for those away at sea in the Pacific whilst remembering the brave men who lost their lives fighting to make victory in Europe a reality.

At 3pm the Prime Minister will address the nation, in accordance with arrangements between the US, Russia and Britain, over the wireless. King George VI is expected to address the British Empire and Commonwealth at 9pm.



Allied Fleet Off Oslo

Allied ships, including minesweepers, have been sighted near the entrance of the Oslo Fiord to liberate Norway after Germany's surrender. The Norwegian capital has said that no troops have landed yet but are expected to imminently.

It has also been reported that the German heavy cruiser Prinz Eugen and the light cruiser Nuremberg have surrendered to Field-Marshall Montgomery's forces.



Create your own bunting

Make your own bunting and decorate your fundraising event. You can print out as many sheets as you need, just join some string or ribbon using the tab or a staple and hang up as you please.

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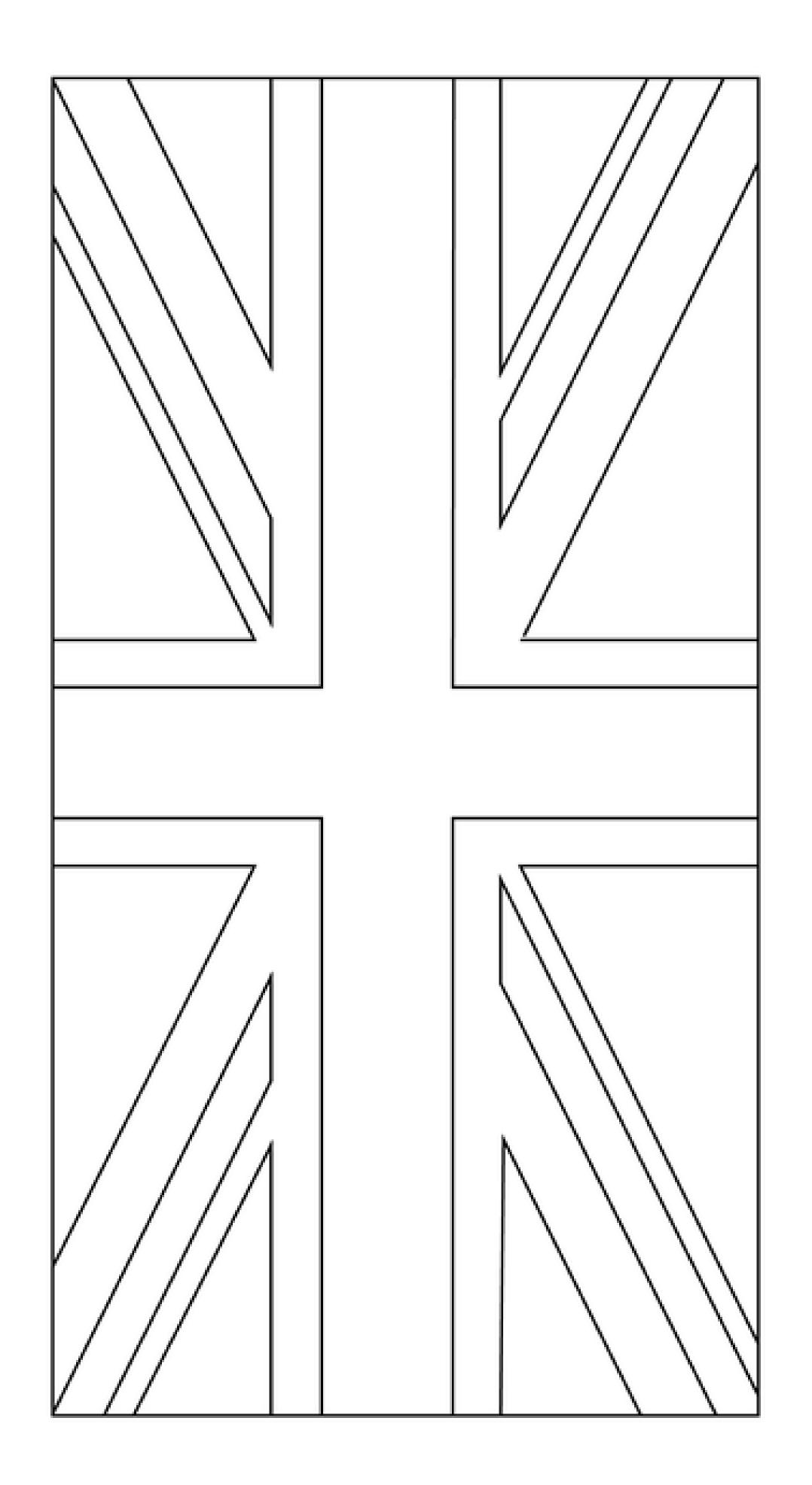
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Flag cake toppers

Make your own flag cake toppers and decorate your fundraising event. You can print out as many sheets as you need, just cut out the shapes, fold where shown and then place a cocktail stick inside the folded paper and along the fold.









Create your own time capsule

2020 is the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII.

At this very moment, you too are living through another event that will not be forgotten for many years to come. Create your own time capsule to share with your family when you have children or grandchildren of your own.

Step 1: Write a letter to yourself

Make sure you include your age, who your friends are, your favourite TV show, song, book and film. Then write down what is going on in the world right now and how it makes you feel. And before you finish, make sure to put what you want to be when you grow up!

Step 2: Draw a picture of your family

Make sure this shows your family as it is right now. You can include your house and pets too.

Step 3: Add news stories

If you have a newspaper, cut out the bits of news you think are important, or ask your parents to. You could print stories from the internet if you do not have a newspaper.

Step 4: Take Some Photos

If you can take some photos of your day and print them off.

Step 5: Find a scrapbook or tin

Put all the bits from steps 1-4 together in your scrapbook or tin and put it somewhere safe, so that in years to come you can look back on 2020 and what was happening.

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We'll Meet Again

By Vera Lynn

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

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What does VE Day stand for?

What does VJ Day stand for?

What were the dates of VE Day and VJ Day?

What year did World War Two break out?

Who were the Allies?

Who said "we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air, we shall defend our Island"? Circle the correct answer:

Franklin D. Roosevelt Winston Churchill Neville Chamberlain Charles De Gaulle

Who was the King of the United Kingdom during World War Two?

Who sang the iconic wartime hit. 'We'll Meet Again'? Circle the correct answer:



Katy Perry Rhianna Vera Lynn Elvis Presley Glenn Miller What does WRNS stand for?



When was D-Day?

Who broke the enigma code?

Who was the leader of Nazi Germany?

What was the biggest threat to the Arctic Convoys in the Battle of the Atlantic? Circle the correct answer.

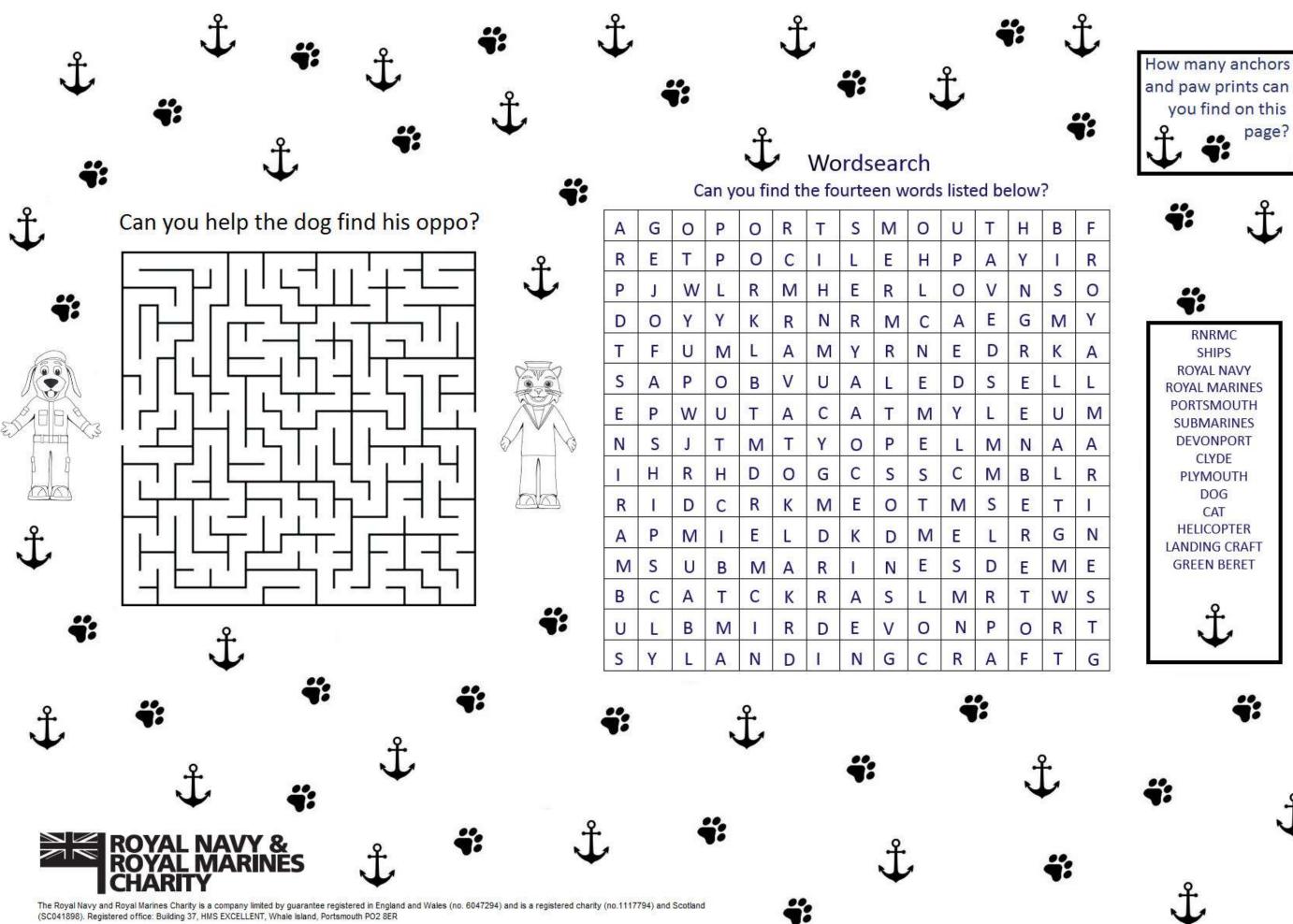
U-Boats Luftwaffe

On what date did the Japanese attack the American fleet in Pearl Harbour? Circle the correct answer.

1st January 1942 15th August 1939 7th December 1941

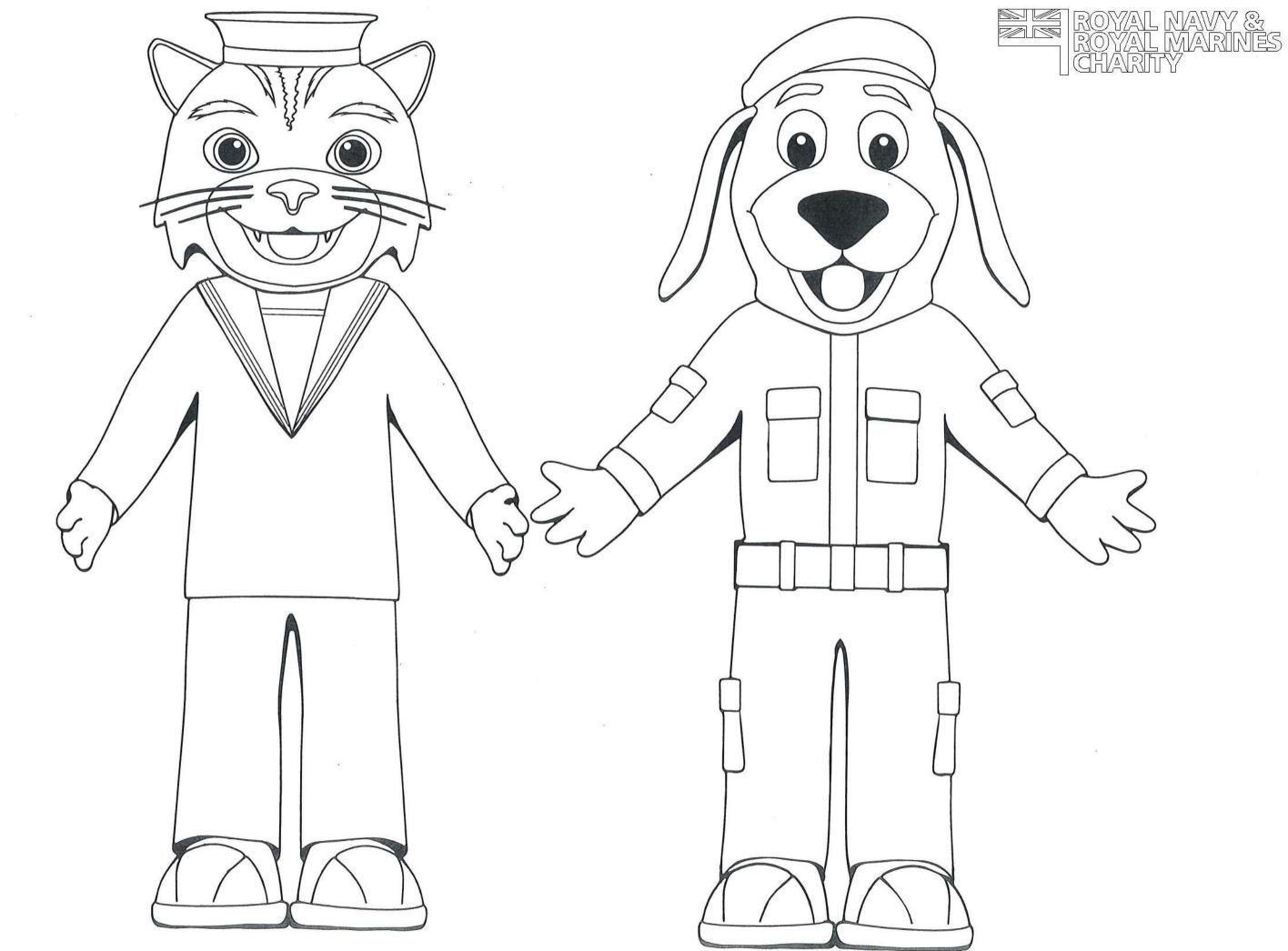
What did the Americans drop on Japan in 1945 that was described as looking like a mushroom?





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Men:

The fashion for men was to wear single breasted tweed, pinstripe or plain suits complete with shirt, braces and sometimes paired with a knitted tank top and a trilby hat. Double breasted suits were reserved for special occasions.

Women:

The desired silhouette was an hourglass figure with tailored clothing, simple make-up but with a bold red lip. The hair style that is synonymous with the 1940s is the victory roll.

Fun fact: Stockings were in short supply in the war so many women used eyeliner to draw the line down the back of their legs to give the impression of stockings.

Clothing:

- Knee length A-line dresses
- A-line skirts with white button-down blouses
- Wide leg and high waisted trousers
- Workwear overalls and jeans to create the Rosie the Riveter look
- Shoes peep-toe heels, loafers, oxfords, wedge sandals
- Hats, turbans, head scarves, snood and flower clips
- Gloves

Boys:

Trousers or shorts with long socks, a V-neck jumper and shirt with their school caps and ties.

Girls:

Pinafore dresses, knee high socks and boater hats.

Victory Rolls:

How to create this iconic hairstyle

- 1. Make a parting from ear to ear across your head and tie the rest of your hair back into a ponytail.
- 2. Split the front section of hair and pin one side out of the way ready to make your first roll.
- 3. Back comb the loose section of hair and lightly spray with hairspray.
- 4. Start to roll the section of hair from the ends around two fingers until near the top of your head.
- 5. Slide your fingers out of the nearly complete roll, tuck loose ends into it and wind the loop in tight to your head.
- 6. Using Kirby grips secure the roll in place and gently loosen the shape, so it appears fuller.

- 7. Repeat this on the other side.
- 8. Now untie your ponytail, curl the hair if desired and leave down.

