



Year 6 - Autumn - Geography Knowledge Organiser

What I already know...

- The shapes of different countries.
- How to use maps and atlases to locate countries and describe the key features of each country.
- How to use a key to identify physical features and human features.
- That different types of borders exist (such as human, drawn, mountain, river and sea borders).

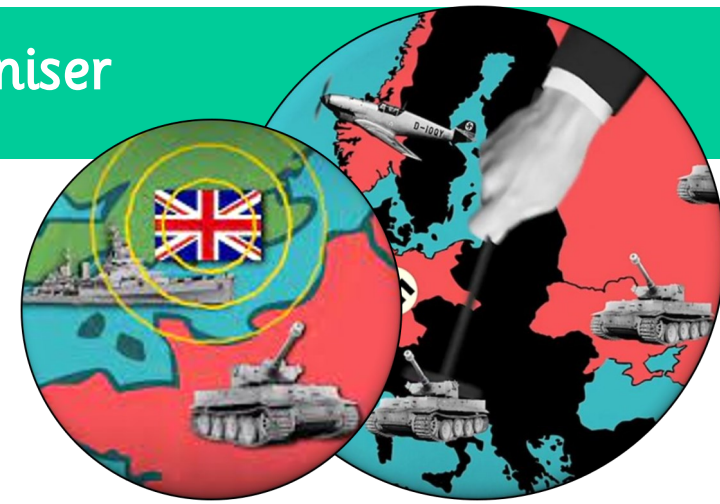
What I will learn...

- That existing borders may change over time.
- That borders may change as a result of political reasons.
- That key events during World War II dramatically changed the world that we live in today.
- That Germany expanded prior to, and during WW2.
- That bombs were dropped locally, impacting the area around us.
- That certain places were specifically targeted due to their geographical location.
- How to use four figure co-ordinates to locate places on an OS map.



Key Vocabulary

borders	A boundary or line separating two countries.
expansion	The act of becoming larger.
politics	The opinions or ideas of political leaders in government.
territory	An area of land under the rule of an individual or state.
Sudetenland	The Sudetenland is the historical German name for the northern, southern, and western areas of former Czechoslovakia.



Making a difference at The Merton

In our study of the Second World War, we will focus on the war in Europe, as well as the broader Allied and Axis powers. We will learn that borders are not fixed but are, instead, changeable. With this in mind, we will compare maps of Europe and consider the movement of land borders before and after WW2. We will then move on to look at the impact of the war locally as we study the Luftwaffe bombing maps of Leicester and Leicestershire. We will conduct a local study, looking at the bomb damage of Stoneygate and Humberstone and how this affected local communities and sculpted local life today.

Making a difference at home

Using Google maps, can you locate key geographical locations linked to our World War 2 such as:

- Munich
- Hiroshima
- Dunkirk
- Nagasaki
- Normandy

