




## VE Day

VE Day (Victory in Europe Day) is the day on which Allied forces formally announced the surrender of Germany, which brought the Second World War to a close in Europe. The reading comprehension will be useful for providing you with lots of facts and information but you may like to enjoy some other activities.

<p><b><u>'Stay At Home' Street Party</u></b> How did people celebrate in 1945? Plan your own 'stay at home' street party. 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>Some streets or villages are planning street parties in their gardens to mark the celebration. You may be involved in something like this.</p>	<p><b><u>Understanding World War Two/VE Day</u></b> On 8<sup>th</sup> 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: <a href="#">Primary Homework Help - WW2</a> <a href="#">A Brief Overview of World War II</a> - Video <a href="#">BBC Teach - VE Day</a> <a href="#">What Is VE Day?</a></p> <p>Can you create a timeline of important events leading up to VE Day?</p>	<p><b><u>Wartime Recipes</u></b> 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 recipes below. You could serve them at your 'Stay at Home Street Party!'</p>  <p><a href="#">Wartime Recipe Booklet</a> <a href="#">Wartime Ration Recipes</a> <a href="#">WW2 Cake</a> <a href="#">Wartime Scones</a> <a href="#">Jam Tarts</a></p>
 <p><b><u>VE Day Songs</u></b> Try and learn the Horrible Histories <a href="#">VE Day song</a> and perform it to your family.</p> <p>Create your own motivational song. Listen to some of the following clips for inspiration. Listen to some more traditional war time songs. Do a google search and find songs such as: We'll meet again, Long way to Tipperary or The White Cliffs of Dover.</p>	<p>Choose one, some or all of the activities to learn about WW2 and VE Day.</p>	 <p><b><u>Winston Churchill</u></b> Who was Winston Churchill? Why do we remember him today? Produce a fact file/ poster displaying your information. What was his job? Why was he so important during WW2? What was one of his famous phrases? Can you describe his characteristics? Why he was important? CHALLENGE: Can you learn Winston Churchill's <a href="#">Victory speech</a> and record yourself presenting it?</p>