



Wartime Christmas

Before your visit to the RAF Museum

You may want to prepare your pupils by using some of these activity/discussion ideas.

- What is a museum? Has anyone been to one before?
- Why are we visiting the RAF Museum?
- What are we going to see at the Museum? How can we find out?
<https://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/london/>.

Key vocabulary which could be useful for your visit:

Second World War (1939 – 1945)

Rationing

Make do and Mend

Air Raid Siren

Shelter

Aerobatic displays

During your visit

- Find the Christmas card in Hangar 1. Written by RAF service personnel away from home at Christmas in the 1980s. It is in the long timeline cabinet, near the Wall of Hats.
- Explore the Museum to find your favourite Second World War aircraft – why is it your favourite?
- Pupils can find the Second World War aircraft using the sheet available in the [resources section](#) of our website.

After your visit

- Design your own Make do and Mend/ Rationing propaganda
- Create a new way to use ‘scrap fabrics’ to make presents for family and friends
- Write a rationed shopping list/ Christmas dinner menu/ recipe, considering how you might substitute ingredients like sugar or meat with carrots and apples or breadcrumbs.