

The Blitz

Indicate (with a T or F) if these statements are TRUE or FALSE.

1 In 1940 Hitler ordered the German air force to bomb London and other big cities.

11 People took all their valuable things to the shelters in case their homes were bombed.

2 In 1930 Hitler ordered the German air force to bomb London and other big cities.

12 Some people sang songs to keep everyone cheery and happy.

3 People were warned that the German aeroplanes were coming by wailing sirens.

13 Wardens made sure that during the hours of darkness the black out was put into place.

4 Some families built Macdonald shelters in their gardens.

14 People had special buttons that were luminous so they could be seen in the blackout.

5 Some families built Anderson Shelters in their gardens.

15 People could just use their normal curtains during the Blackout.

6 Many families went to crowded public shelters. Thousands of people sheltered in the London Underground stations.

16 The Blackout started on the 1st September 1935.

7 Underground stations were deserted. They were nice and clean.

17 Only a few families received an air raid shelter.

8 The shelters were named after the British Prime Minister.

18 Air raids mainly happened at night and many people put bunk beds in their shelters.

9 Over two million shelters were handed out and most of them were free.

19 For 57 nights thousands of tonnes of bombs rained down on London.

10 People were warned that the German aeroplanes were coming by wailing sirens.

20 Over 1200 people were killed and 2000 seriously injured.

21 Shelters protected people from blast damage and falling buildings.

25 ARP wardens operated sirens. They had to check the blackout and organise rescue work after an air raid.

22 Anderson shelters were found indoors and were like metal cages.

26 Over 12,000 people were killed and 20,000 were seriously injured.

23 Morrison shelters were found indoors and were like metal cages.

27 Cities around Britain on the coast were bombed.

24 Shelters were damp and uncomfortable but could protect six people.

28 Children enjoyed collecting bits of shrapnel as souvenirs of the Blitz.

