

Don't forget to get your "Victory Medal" at Reception
to show you "did your bit"
for Australia in World War II.
We hope you'll say, as the General did,
"I SHALL RETURN"



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Name _____

There's a war on, you know!



Brisbane in the Second World War

The MacArthur Museum



War Brides

The Australian women who went to America after the war, just like the American soldiers who came here during the war, learned that while both nations speak English there are lots of differences.

Draw lines match these words and phrases. Then circle the Aussie word in each pair. Write your own pair below.

GI	drugstore
cobber	great, super
bonzer	digger
chemist	tucker
chow	pal



biscuit	candy
pudding	cookie
radio	brumby
lolly	dessert
bronco	wireless

My pair:



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Which parts of 1940s Brisbane do you recognise?



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As you watch the video of *Brisbane at War*, see if you can spot these familiar landmarks.

Draw a line between the label and its photo.



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King George Square and City Hall

ANZAC Square

Story Bridge

Grey Street (now William Jolly) Bridge



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Timeline

My family Add dates of birth, service, marriage etc		Australia Use <i>The Courier-Mail</i> screens to complete the timeline
	Sep 1939	Germany invades Poland. Britain and Australia declare war on Germany
	Jan 1940	First Australian troops sent to Europe and the Middle East to protect Suez Canal
	Jun 1940	Germany defeats France. Italy enters war on Germany's side. British Empire stands alone.
	9 Dec 1941 <i>Events appear in next day's paper</i>	
	20 Feb 1942	
	19 Mar 1942	
	11 May 1942 <i>Some news is delayed by censorship</i>	
	May 1945	Germany surrenders; VE Day
	Aug 1945	US drops atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki
	Sep 1945	Formal surrender of Japan



The Army

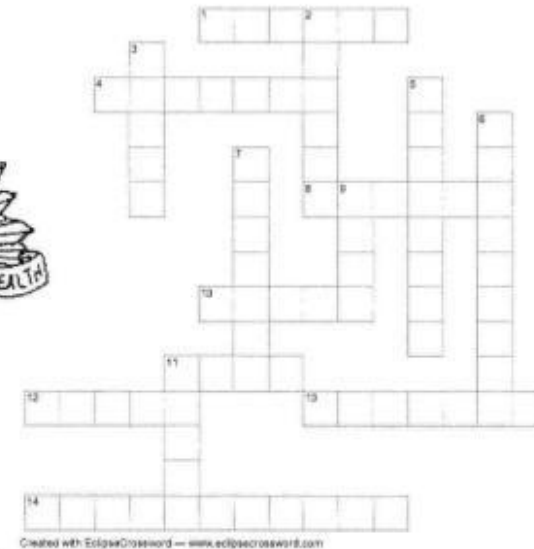


ACROSS

- Lots of groups of marching men and women passing through a town
- MacArthur's rank
- How military people greet superior officers, a hand to the forehead
- Sturdy shoes worn for marching
- The branch of the military that fights on the land
- Nation that threatened Australia in 1942
- A person who is a member of the army
- Powerful beam that looks in the sky for enemy aircraft

DOWN

- All the countries who joined together to defeat Japan and Germany in World War II
- Temporary sleeping places for soldiers in the field
- Army camp near Wacol
- Army Camp in Marchant Park, named for the suburb
- Clothing worn by military people so they will all look similar but you can tell their rank and job just by looking at them
- The alliance of Japan, Germany and Italy in the Second World War
- Member of the Australia and New Zealand Army Corps, also a popular biscuit



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The Navy

In February 1943, USS *Growler*, a submarine, made a surface attack on a Japanese gunboat at night. The boat rammed the sub while spraying it with machine gun fire. To save his crew, Captain Gilmore ordered "Take her down!", sacrificing his own life and earning the US Medal of Honor for his action.



Queensland Maritime Museum

The sub with its badly damaged bow made it back to Brisbane. Aussie workmen got the plans from the Americans, rebuilt the forward section and attached it in South Brisbane Dry Dock [photo] and *Growler* went back to sea.

The workmen had fitted two metal kangaroos to the bow, so it was known as the *Kangaroo Express*, until it was lost with all hands in October 1944.

Why was Brisbane an important naval base in WW II?



Jones & Numan, US Subs Down Under



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Women during WWII

Which of these paid and volunteer jobs were done by women during the war?

- Tram conductor
- Munitions worker
- Anti-aircraft gunner
- Air raid warden
- Secretary
- Photo interpreter



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Find at least two other jobs mentioned in the displays. List them here:

How would having women doing traditional male jobs impact on society?

What do you think will happen when the men return from war and want their old jobs back?



Children do their bit!

Many families had V_____ gardens. Children joined the J_____ G_____ Army. They grew food, not flowers, because there was a shortage of some foods. There was a shortage of labour on the farms to do the work so it was hard to produce as much food as before the war. Food had to be sent to the army overseas as well as to Britain.

Some boys were messengers who would deliver t_____. Most people didn't have a telephone in their home so important personal news came this way.

Children would also collect items to recycle, like s_____, m_____, a_____, p_____, r_____ and r_____, all of which were in short supply and needed for the war.

Children also did fundraising, but for the war effort. Sometimes they made items of clothing for their family, to save money and precious c_____, or to send to soldiers. Others did volunteer war work, like p_____ s_____, identifying the planes that flew over the city, to be sure they were A_____ (friendly) aircraft.

After the war, all Australian children were given a Victory Medal like the one you see in the display. Do you think they earned it? Why or why not?



How do you and your friends get to school?

Which is the most common method for students at your school? Rank these 1 to 6, from most common to least.

- Walking
- Bus
- Train or tram
- Car
- Ferry/CityCat
- Bicycle



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How does your commute compare with school students in Brisbane 1942-5?

Petrol rationing meant_____.

_____ and _____ were very crowded with so many in war work and all the Allied and Australian servicemen passing through.

_____ workers had to work long hours to keep the trains moving.

American military vehicles had _____ hand drive, while Australian cars had right hand drive. The Americans drove on the left while on their bases, but had to switch when they came into town.

Interstate rail travel required _____.

The Air Force

Southeast Queensland still has airfields at E_____
F_____. A_____ and A_____, but
during the war there were also airfields at
S_____, L_____,
P_____ and T_____.

Use the photos in the display to identify this plane. Then write a caption for the picture



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Did you know?

When the RAAF decided in 1937 that they wanted a badge of their own, they wanted it to look similar to the British RAF, but with an Australian eagle. The Chester Herald in the UK requested photos of a wedge-tailed eagle he could base his drawing on. A photographer was sent to Melbourne Zoo but naturally none of the birds would get in the correct pose. The drawings were sent to a Mr. Campbell of the Bird Club of Victoria who gave his advice. It took several attempts before a satisfactory emblem was devised.



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J Harrington

How was school life different during the war?

Look at the pictures and displays, read the explanations and listen to the guide. Then jot down your ideas.

Buildings and grounds

Teachers

Classes and activities

Timetable, school calendar

Food and drink at school

Clothing and shoes

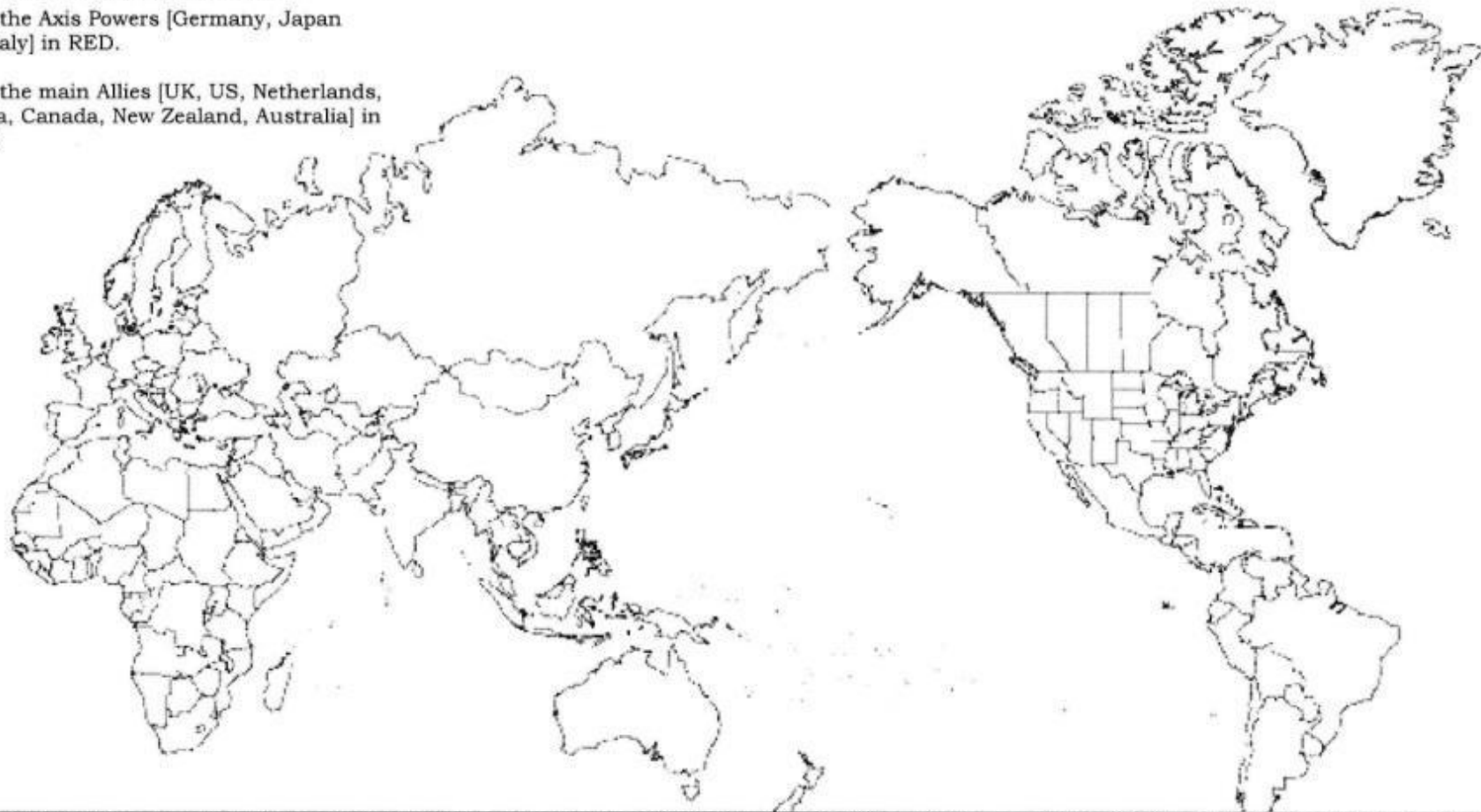
Writing materials and books



Map: The World at War Use the map on the wall to help you locate some of Australia's allies and enemies.

Label the Axis Powers [Germany, Japan and Italy] in RED.

Label the main Allies [UK, US, Netherlands, Russia, Canada, New Zealand, Australia] in BLUE



Shade or highlight the areas where the main fighting took place: Europe, Middle East, North Africa, Philippines, China, Southeast Asia, Pacific Islands, New Guinea, Indonesia (Dutch East Indies) and on the sea routes between Australia and Europe, and between Australia and the United States.

How does the map help you understand why Brisbane was chosen for MacArthur's HQ, not Sydney or Melbourne?

