

The Battle of Britain

True or False?



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Read the Battle of Britain Fact Sheet and answer the questions on the Quiz Sheet.

Remember:

- give as much detail as you can;
- use evidence from the text to justify your answers.

Battle of Britain Fact Sheet

What was the Battle of Britain?

The Battle of Britain was the attempt by the Germans to destroy Great Britain's Royal Air Force (RAF) so that they could then invade by sea. This was an important battle in the Second World War because, after Hitler and the German army had invaded most of Europe (including France), one of the few countries left to fight them was Great Britain.

When did the battle happen?

The Battle of Britain started on 10th July 1940 when British ships in the English Channel were bombed by the German Luftwaffe. It lasted many months as the Germans continued to bomb Britain.

What was the Luftwaffe?

The Luftwaffe was the name of the German air force. When the Battle of Britain began, the Luftwaffe was at a distinct advantage over the RAF. They had 2,600 aircraft against Britain's 640.

Why is it called the Battle of Britain?

The name comes from a speech given by the Prime Minister of Great Britain, Winston Churchill. After Germany had invaded France, Winston Churchill said, 'The Battle of France is over. The Battle of Britain is about to begin.'



Most famous plane?

The Spitfire plane became a symbol of the Battle of Britain. It was developed with the German Messerschmitt Bf 109. Another British plane, the Hurricane, also took down the German aircraft. Although the Spitfire was the most famous of the RAF fleet, it was the Hurricane that took down the most German aircraft.



Battle of Britain Quiz Sheet

Use the Battle of Britain Fact Sheet to help you answer the following questions.

1. When did the Battle of Britain start?

2. What happened to start the Battle of Britain?

3. Who was prime minister during the Battle of Britain?

4. What is called the Battle of Britain?

5. What was the secret German code name for the Battle of Britain?

6. What plane became the star of the British Air Force?

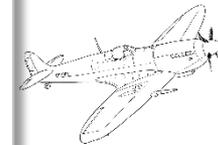
7. When did the Battle of Britain end?



Battle of Britain Quiz Sheet Answers

Use the Battle of Britain Fact Sheet to help you answer the following questions.
The secret German name for the Battle of Britain was:

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10th July 1940
2. What happened to start the Battle of Britain?
German ships in the English Channel were bombed by the German Luftwaffe.
3. Who was prime minister during the Battle of Britain?
Winston Churchill
4. What is called the Battle of Britain?
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5. What was the secret German code name for the Battle of Britain?
Sea Lion
6. What plane became the star of the British Air Force?
Spitfire
7. When did the Battle of Britain end?
October 1940



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Now that you've read the Battle of Britain Fact Sheet and answered the questions on the quiz sheet, complete this True or False Quiz.
Play against a grown-up and see if you can win!



True or False?

False

The Battle of Britain began on 10th July 1940.



True or False?

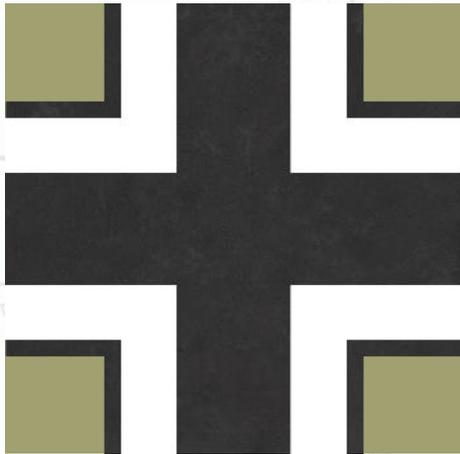
False

They were named 'The Few.'



True or False?

True!



True or False?

True!



True or False?

False

It was 'Operation Sea Lion.'



True or False?

True!



True or False?

True!



True or False?

False

The Battle of Britain was the German's attempt to destroy the RAF before invading Britain.



