

Dressing up day ideas

Second World War

So you're having a Second World War dressing up day? Don't panic! Even if you'd forgotten about it until 8pm the night before, you can still manage to whip up a costume with some simple items in your house. There's no need for any buying or sewing!

World War Two Boy

- A shirt with a collar
- A tie
- A knitted tank top, cardigan or jumper in a traditional colour
- A pair of school style shorts (not football shorts!)
- School socks
- School shoes
- A long plain overcoat

If you are playing an evacuee, you can also add:

- A small suitcase or satchel
- A cardboard box on a string for your gas mask
- A label with your name and address on



World War Two Girl

- A knee length dress or top and skirt. Floral prints and patterns were popular.
- A knitted cardigan or jumper
- School socks in a plain colour
- School shoes
- A long plain overcoat
- A beret or wooly hat



If you prefer to do your own research, there are plenty of World War Two pictures available online. Be careful to use real pictures from the period 1939-1945 to work from and not ones from fancy dress shops!

