



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9i1QA+ET0ok> the sound of the Air Raid Siren that told the people and pilots that the German bombers were coming.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/history-ks2-world-war-2-clips-spitfires-scramble/zf97d6f> the sound of the British Spitfire fighter plane taking off after the Air Raid Siren.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=exbQfEHmTUU> footage of real ww2 pilots and their aircraft getting ready to fly, at the end you see them run to the aircraft like in our story.

Your Challenge

This week, we are focusing on VE day and the end of World War 2. Your challenge is to write an opening for a WW2 (World War 2) story. I have suggested that you write about fighter pilots getting ready to fly and protect Britain. However, you can plan and start any WW2 story if you have your own idea. This week, only start the story and try to avoid writing about any of the actual fighting. In this piece of writing, we are building suspense for the action scenes that are coming up, so save the action for later. Remember to try and use our Year 5 grammar like relative clauses and parenthesis. In addition, make sure you are extending sentences with conjunctions like: because, however, although and while.

My Idea

In my story plan, we are following a British fighter pilot who is waiting at his base. Soon, he will hear the alarm and have to run to his aircraft (a Spitfire fighter) and take off. The pictures and the links will help you to understand what this would have been like. I have included pictures of the pilots waiting before they fly. In picture one they are reading and in picture two they are playing a game. Here they are relaxed and at ease. Next, the air raid siren sounds (I have included a link so you can hear it) and the pilots must run to their aircraft because the German bombers are coming to attack London. Finally, I have included some pictures of the Spitfires taking off. In addition, I have included two other links, one is the sound of the Spitfire's engine and the other is real WW2 footage of the pilots, at the end they even run to their Spitfires like in my story.

Characters / Location

David - The pilot who I will be writing about

James - Another Pilot and David's friend

Arthur - The pilot leader, he is called the squadron commander

Albert - The Spitfire's mechanic, he gets the aircraft ready for David to fly and fixes it after battle

Duxford Air Base - this is the 'airport' where the pilots live and take off from

London - Capital city of England and the target for the enemy German bombers.

Teacher Model

It was another sunny day in Duxford. The pilots were waiting around outside their lunch room playing chess. The pilot David was playing against his friend James, who always beat him at chess. However, he didn't mind because James would then have to play Arthur, who was the best chess player in the whole of the air base! After the game was over, David was relaxing in the sun with his feet up on another chair however he knew that at any moment the alarm could sound and they would be up and running. Suddenly, it happened. The siren started as a low moan and rose to a high-pitched cry. David, James and Arthur jumped out of their chairs, sending the pieces of the chess game flying into the air. They all sprinted towards their aircraft as Arthur shouted, "Good luck chaps! See you back at base for dinner!" As David approached his Spitfire, he could see his trusty mechanic and friend Albert refuelling the Spitfire ready for action. David climbed up on the wing, jumped into the cockpit and Albert shut the roof, giving him the thumbs up at the same time. Time to fly.