

Uniforms in 1940 and 1944





Home Guard uniform





A plastic badge issued to women from the Women's Home Guard Auxiliary force later in the war.



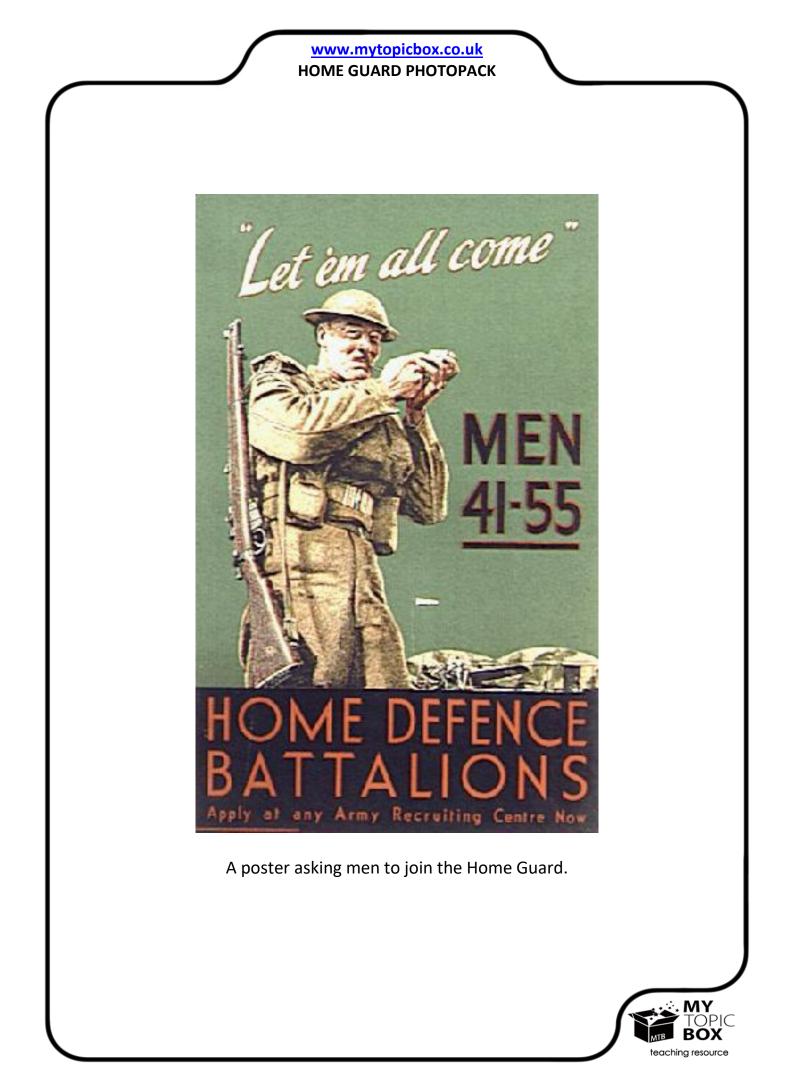
Officially women were not allowed to serve in the Home Guard but many did join the men for their training, even in some cases practising how to shoot rifles in a special division called the Women's Defence Force. However, eventually the government created the Women's Home Guard Auxiliary force to enable women to join the Home Guard properly and work in a non-fighting role, such as administration duties and driving.

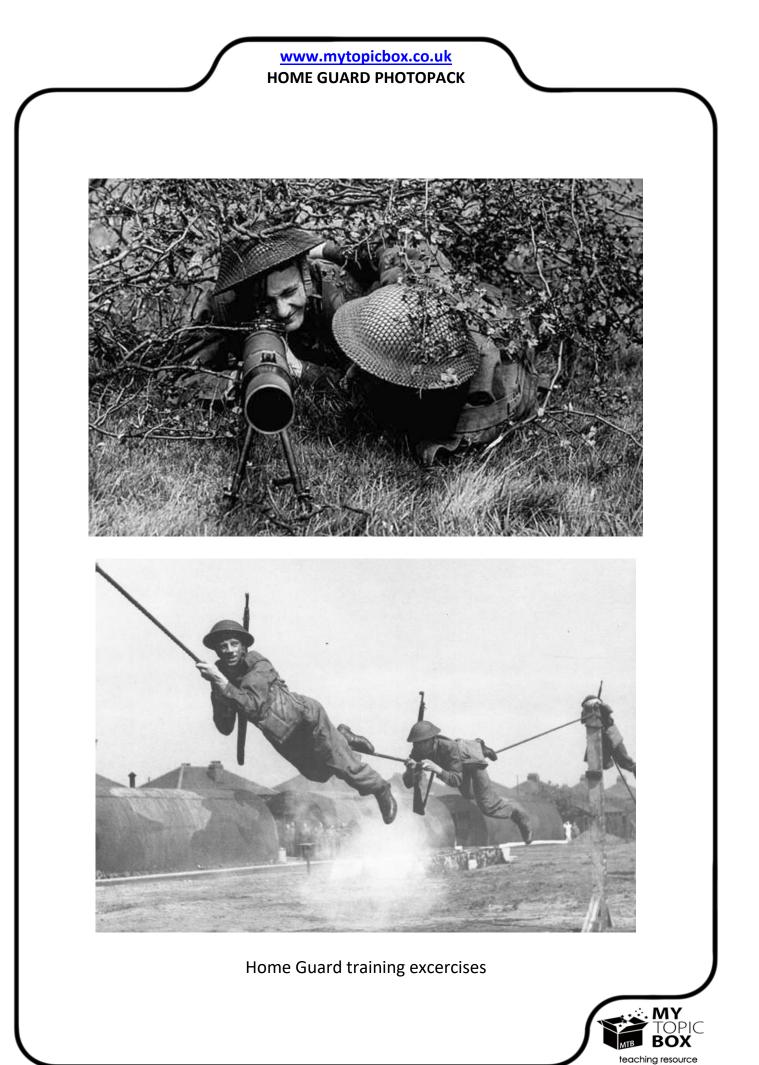




Some of the strange weapons invented by the Home Guard, including Home Made bombs and a launcher.



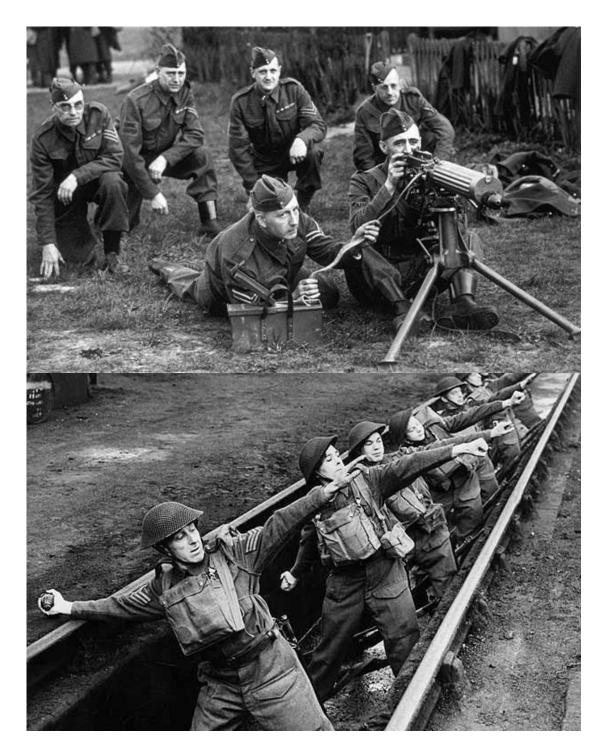






Home Guard road block.





Home Guard training exercises

