

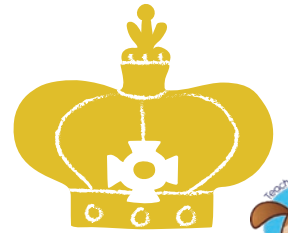
## VE Day - Did You Know?

VE Day was celebrated on the 8th May 1945. Germany had surrendered which meant the war, which had lasted almost six years, was now finally over.



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Queen Elizabeth II (who was yet to become the queen) joined in with the party but in disguise, as she wasn't usually allowed to mix with the public.



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On the 7th May 1945, it was announced over the radio that the war had ended and VE Day would be a national holiday the following day.



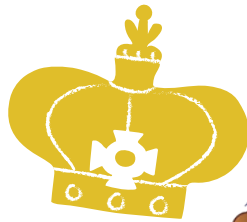
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Celebrations took place all over the country. People danced, sang and had huge parties in their streets with all the surrounding neighbours getting involved.



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Huge crowds gathered to the mall leading towards Buckingham Palace to see the royal family appear at the balcony. King George VI soon appeared and everyone cheered.



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Winston Churchill was the man of the hour as many people believed he was the driving force behind the allies victory against the germans.



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Special merchandise was created including mugs and plates. Some of these items are worth a lot of money today.



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Colourful bunting and flags were put up across streets all over the country. You couldn't turn one corner without spotting a union jack flag!

