

Evacuated

After war was declared, thousands of children were evacuated from cities to the countryside in case of bombing. This activity helps you imagine what it was like to leave home behind and start life somewhere completely new.

You Will Need

- Paper
 - Pen or pencil
 - A small bag or backpack (optional)
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Pack Your Evacuee Suitcase

- Imagine you are being evacuated tomorrow. You're allowed to bring one small bag.
- Write a list of what you would pack. Think carefully: clothes, something to eat, a toy, something for comfort, maybe a book.
- Remember, it's 1939 – no smartphones or games consoles!

Evacuation Name Tag

- Every evacuee wore a name tag.
- Make your own using a scrap of paper.
- Write your name, age, and destination (make one up if you like, e.g. "Evacuated to Devon").
- Attach it to your bag or pin it to your clothes.

Write a Postcard Home

You've just arrived at your new host's home in the countryside. Write a short postcard to your parents describing:

- What the journey was like
- What your new home is like
- How you're feeling (nervous, excited, lonely?)
- Use details from the episode – perhaps you've met a cow like Peter did, or been sent to a strict aunt like George.