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ANGLIA
TOURS

1-day London

London & the Second World War

St Paul's Cathedral

The Battle of Britain and the start of the blitz; significance of London as a target; government, ports and industry in the capital.

Christchurch Greyfriars

War damage in the blitz; the attacks of 7 September 1940; the impact on the dock.

Smithfield Market

Trade and industry in the capital in WW2; development of vengeance weapons; advantages and disadvantages of unmanned V1 and V2 rockets; V2 attack on Smithfield on 8 March 1945; impact of terror weapons; the end of rocket attacks.

Old Bailey

Law and order in WW2; new constraints necessitated by war; exploitation and the black market.

Paternoster Square

The attacks of 29 December 1940; impact on London industries, including publishing.

Firefighters' Memorial

Role of firefighters and fire-watchers; protection of the civilian population; gas masks; Anderson shelters; use of underground stations. why protecting St Paul's was so important.

Bank

Civilian deaths in London in WW2; Bank station bomb 11 January 1941; the Bethnal Green tube disaster; commemoration of civilian losses.

Monument

Previous London disasters; importance of propaganda; the media in WW2, differences from the media today; censorship; reasons why censorship and propaganda were needed.

River walk by Custom House

Use of photography by German bombers for identifying targets; German intelligence-gathering and spies.

Ruins of St Dunstan in the East

The legacy of the blitz in London; what can we learn from ruins as historical sources; what are their benefits and limitations.

Tower of London

Civilian contributions to the war effort; total war; blockade and the Dig for Victory campaign; the end of the war and VE Day.

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West India Dock

The development of the docks; living conditions and physical layout of the landscape; proximity of docks to domestic dwellings.

Hertsmere Road

Local life in the docks in WW2; the nature of communities in this part of London; effects on local communities of German attempts to hit industrial targets.

Museum of London Docklands

Structured visit to the museum galleries, focussing in particular on WW2 gallery; students given task to look at, analyse and report back on materials in the museum exhibition; advantages and disadvantages of different historical sources. Follow up discussion with students on their findings.