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# D-Day

German fortifications still stand on Normandy beaches, a chilling reminder of World War 2. In the early morning of June 6, 1944 those who occupied the fortifications got quite a surprise when they were suddenly invaded by gliders which landed in their territory, ships which fired their big guns, aeroplanes which dropped bombs and armies swamping the beach. It was the famous D-Day, the beginning of the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War.

The invasion was set to drive Adolf Hitler's army out of France by invading the beaches of Normandy and pushing inland. Originally D-Day was set for June 5<sup>th</sup> 1944 but the weather was stormy and General Eisenhower commanded the armies to wait until the next day. If you were to go to the Normandy beaches you would still find reminders of D-Day.

## Your task

Find out more information about D-Day and do a write-up, also locate the following points:

- Who was General Eisenhower
  - Who were the Allies
- Draw or trace a map of Britain and France indicating Normandy.
  - Show where the English Channel is on your map.
  - Draw capital cities and other major places on your map.

