

An Introduction to the 'Friendly Invasion' – Lesson Plan

| Learning | Learning Focus | | Key Skills |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The impact that American Eighth Air Force has had upon local area How the local area has changed and developed as a result of WWII | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group work Literacy (SPAG, Writing to entertain) Letter writing (V-Mail) Map work Intercultural understanding |
| Activities | Starter | Detailed Description | |
| | Guess the LO WWII Consolidation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Put up a series of images that hint at the Learning Objective. Get students to guess the LO in groups write in on a post-it-note. Stick it on the board once they're done. What do I already know about WWII exercise – students use the focused Spider Diagram to consolidate their prior knowledge of WWII. | |
| | Main Activity | Detailed Description | |
| | Mix then Match – America and England Activity (10 minutes) Life on an Airbase Write V-Mail | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain how, why and when America joined WWII and the term 'Friendly Invasion'. In groups students should look at the different images (some relating to life in America and some relating to life in England). Ask them to sort them with the relevant country. Ask students to feedback their answers to class – How do they think these differences played out when the Americans arrived in East Anglia during WWII? Explain the concept of culture clashes. Use PP Presentation to help class discussion. Explain to students that being in the Air Force was considered by many to be glamorous – however in reality, things were not quite so pleasant. Read through extracts. Get students to read them out loud. Use 'Life for an East Anglian and American Serviceman' focused spider diagram to consolidate learning so far. Introduce the task of writing V-Mail. Students should assume the character of an American Servicemen serving in the local area to write a letter (V-Mail) home. Some students may wish to use the instruction sheet to help as this includes bullet pointed ideas of what to write about and a word bank. | |
| | Summary | Detailed Description | |
| | Feedback | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students read their V-Mails out to the rest of the class | |