



# WWII: Keeping People Safe

## A grandad's activity

Some men wouldn't have gone to the frontline to fight in the war, but would have done their bit for the war effort to keep people safe at home.

One important job was the ARP Warden. ARP stands for Air Raid Precautions. This role was to supervise the Blackouts and to protect civilians during the air raid. It also involved advising people safe places to be during air raids. Many people built Anderson shelters in their gardens if they had the space.

Have a go at recreating the feel of being in an Anderson Shelter using your dining room table and some sheets. Make it comfortable inside. What supplies will you need? A torch, some form of entertainment, food... Can you think of anything else? How many people will fit in your shelter? Spend some time in your shelter and imagine how it might have felt.

### *Did you know?*

*Anderson shelters were partially buried in the ground to make them more secure.*