



WWII: Life as an Evacuee

A son's activity

Lots of children who lived in towns or cities were evacuated during the war and moved to the countryside to keep them safe. You were only allowed one set of clothes and one toy. What would you have taken?

Write a letter home to your family to describe your new experiences. Here are some things you might like to include in your letter:

- What was the journey like to your new home?
- Who else lives in your new home? What are they like?
- What did you decide to take with you?
- How does living in the countryside compare to the town.
- What is your new school like?
- Describe how it might feel to be away from your family

Did you know?

The first wave of evacuations happened on 1st September 1939. Approximately 1.5 million people went on to be relocated over 3 days.