



Evacuation Word Bank



bomb

Blitz

wireless (radio)

gas mask

evacuee label

air raid shelter

ration book

suitcase

siren

blackout

warden

home guard

Anderson shelter

remote

fields farms

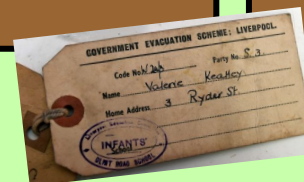
landscape

rural quaint

isolated safe

Billeting officer

train lonely



What did Evacuee Boys and Girls have to put into their suitcase?

This list of clothes for Evacuee boys and girls was sent to every family in a city by the British Government. The list told families what to pack in their childrens' suitcases if they were going to be evacuated. This was meant to show the **minimum** amount of different clothes to pack. However, many families from the cities were very poor and so their children's suitcases often contained very few of these clothing items.

BOYS

- 2 vests
- 2 pairs of underpants
- 2 night-shirts or pairs of pyjamas
- 2 pairs of socks
- 2 pairs of boots or shoes
- 1 pair of Wellington boots (if possible)
- 1 warm coat and/or mackintosh
- 1 pair trousers
- 1 pullover
- 6 handkerchiefs
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 face flannel
- 1 comb
- 2 towels



GIRLS

- 2 vests
- 2 liberty bodices (if worn)
- 2 pairs of knickers
- 2 night-dresses or pairs of pyjamas
- 2 pairs of socks or stockings
- 2 pairs of shoes
- 1 pair of Wellington boots (if possible)
- 1 warm coat and/or mackintosh
- 1 warm dress or tunic and jersey
- 1 cardigan
- 6 handkerchiefs
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 face flannel
- 1 comb
- 2 towels



Glossary

Billet	Person who houses an evacuee. Householders in the country who housed children were given money by the government.
Billeting Officer	Person responsible for helping to find homes for evacuees
Evacuation	Leaving a place
Evacuee	A person who leaves a place
Host Family	Family who takes care of an evacuee
Identity Card	Identity cards were issued to all persons and included details of holders name, address and signature. They were to be carried at all times and shown when asked for by the authorities.
Kindertransport	A rescue operation initiated by the British Jews for Jewish children in Nazi-occupied countries. Ten-thousand unaccompanied children travelled to the United Kingdom from Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland, in sealed trains.
Reception Area	Place where evacuees went to meet a billeting officer who would find them a family to look after them during their evacuation
Refugee	A person who flees from home or country to seek refuge elsewhere, as in a time of war or of political or religious persecution
Transport	To carry from one place to another
Tuberculosis	An infectious disease of humans and animals characterized by the coughing up of mucus, fever, weight loss, and chest pain