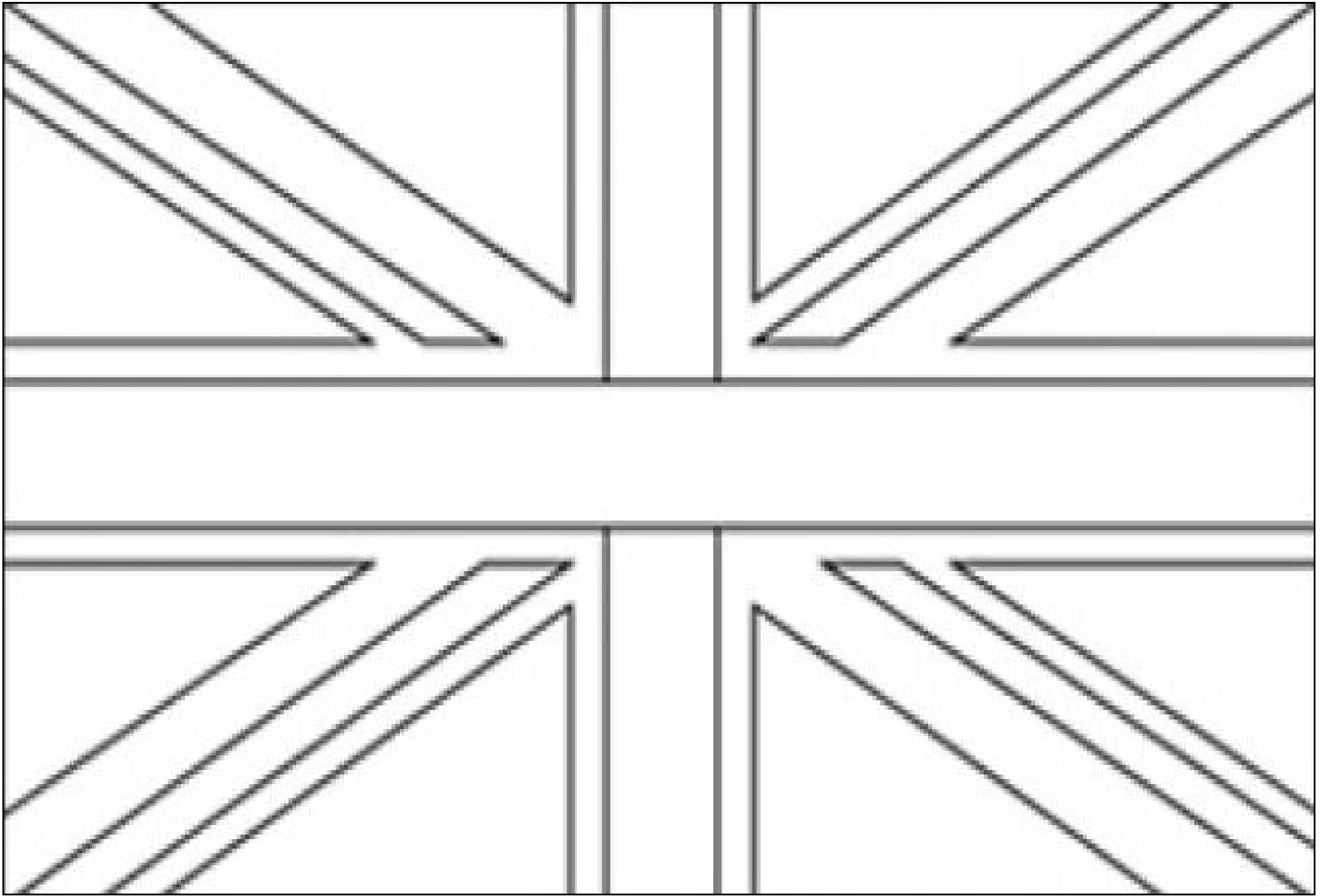




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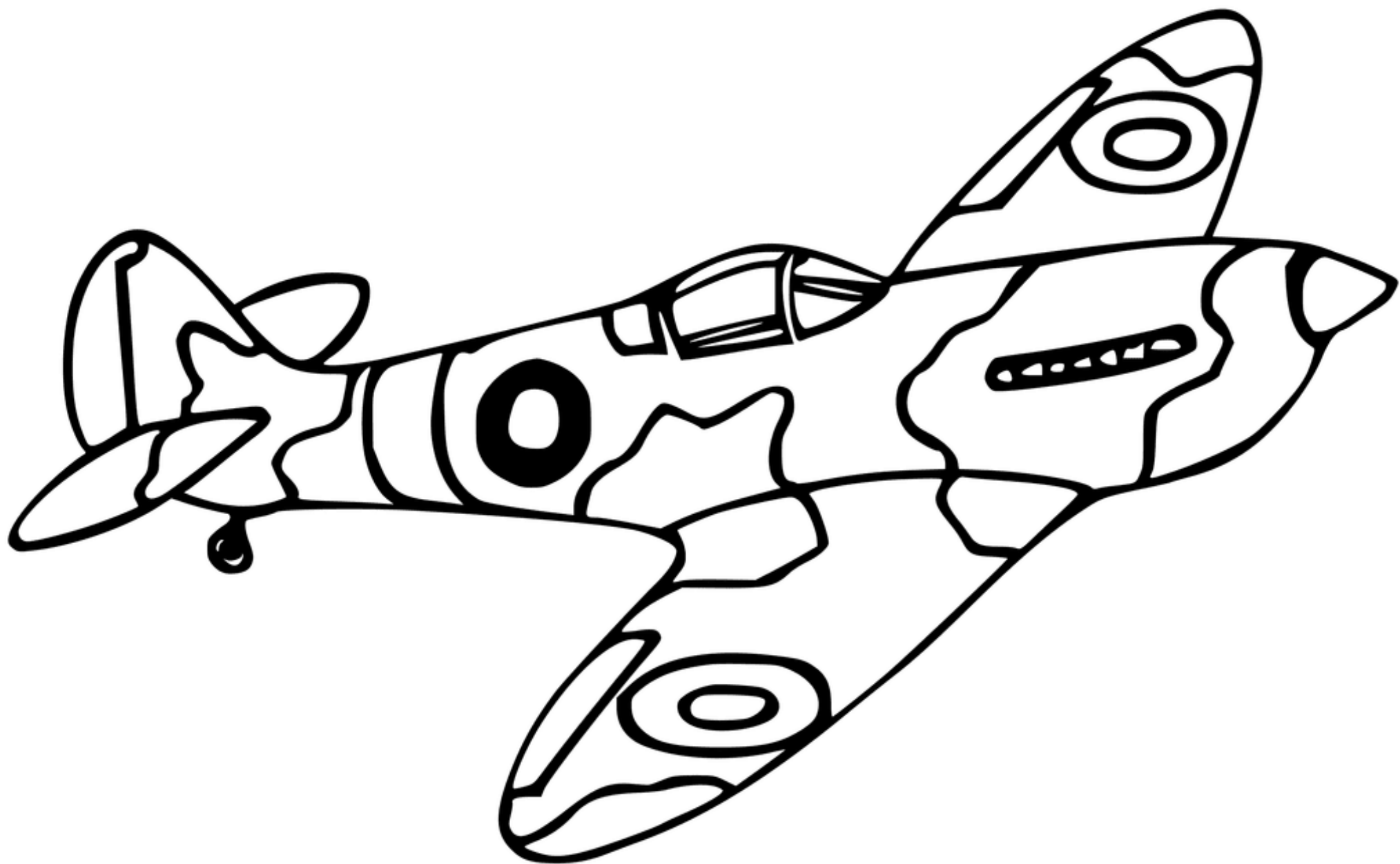
Can you find all of the 12 words below?

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**blitz**  
**bravery**  
**churchill**

**courage**  
**guns**  
**pilot**  
**sailor**

**ships**  
**soldier**  
**spitfire**  
**victory**

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**Map of Europe**

Can you colour in the countries to show whether they were Allies, Axis or Neutral?

-  Allies
-  Axis
-  Neutral





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**Food**

During war time rationing, butter, meat, and sugar were very hard to get, as were cakes, chocolate, and sweets. This didn't mean that people didn't celebrate though.

These are some of the popular foods from the era.

**Dripping sandwiches**

Made from the layer of fat when you cooked roast beef (if you were lucky!).



**Eggless Fruit Cake**

Eggs were rationed during WW2, so people had to learn to cook without them or use powdered eggs.



**Pork faggots with onion gravy and mash**

Saved for a special occasion!



Faggots are made from offal and off cuts of meat.

**Sausage rolls**

But not made like they are today. During the war they were made from steamed pudding using sausage meat, vegetables, herbs, pickles, stale bread, basically anything to bulk the meal up!



**Rock buns**

Promoted by the Ministry of Health, as they required fewer eggs and sugar than ordinary cakes and were made with oatmeal as flour was also rationed.



**WW2 carrot scones**

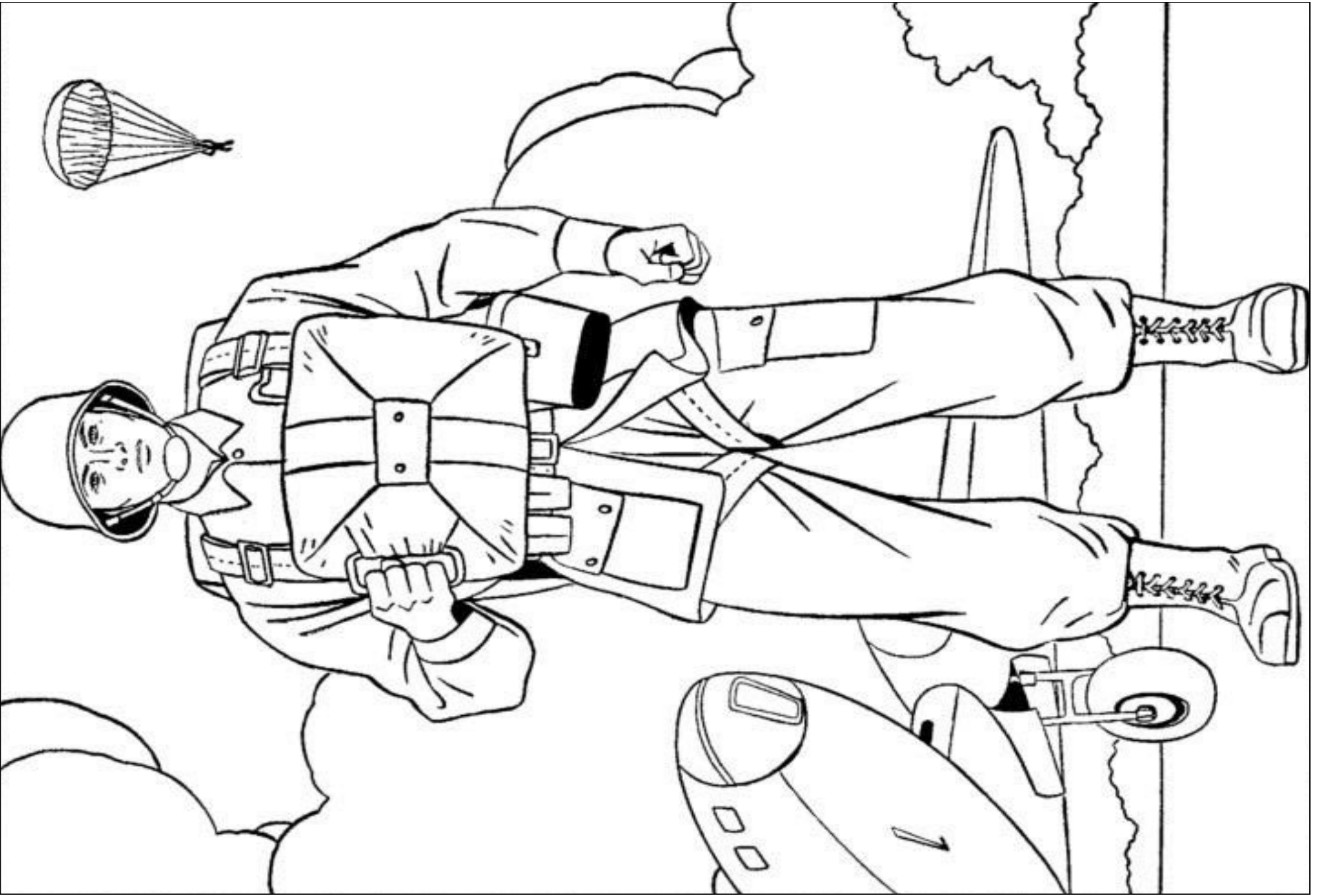


Home grown carrots were used in lots of cakes and puddings.

**Liver casserole**

More offal! Very popular due to the lack of meat.









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#### Picnic

On 8th May 1945, people celebrated VE Day with street parties and picnics.

Although we can't do that at the moment, you can take part in the anniversary celebrations by having your own picnic party in your back garden - or if you don't have one, on your living room floor.

Why don't you draw up a list of what you will be having and let us know!

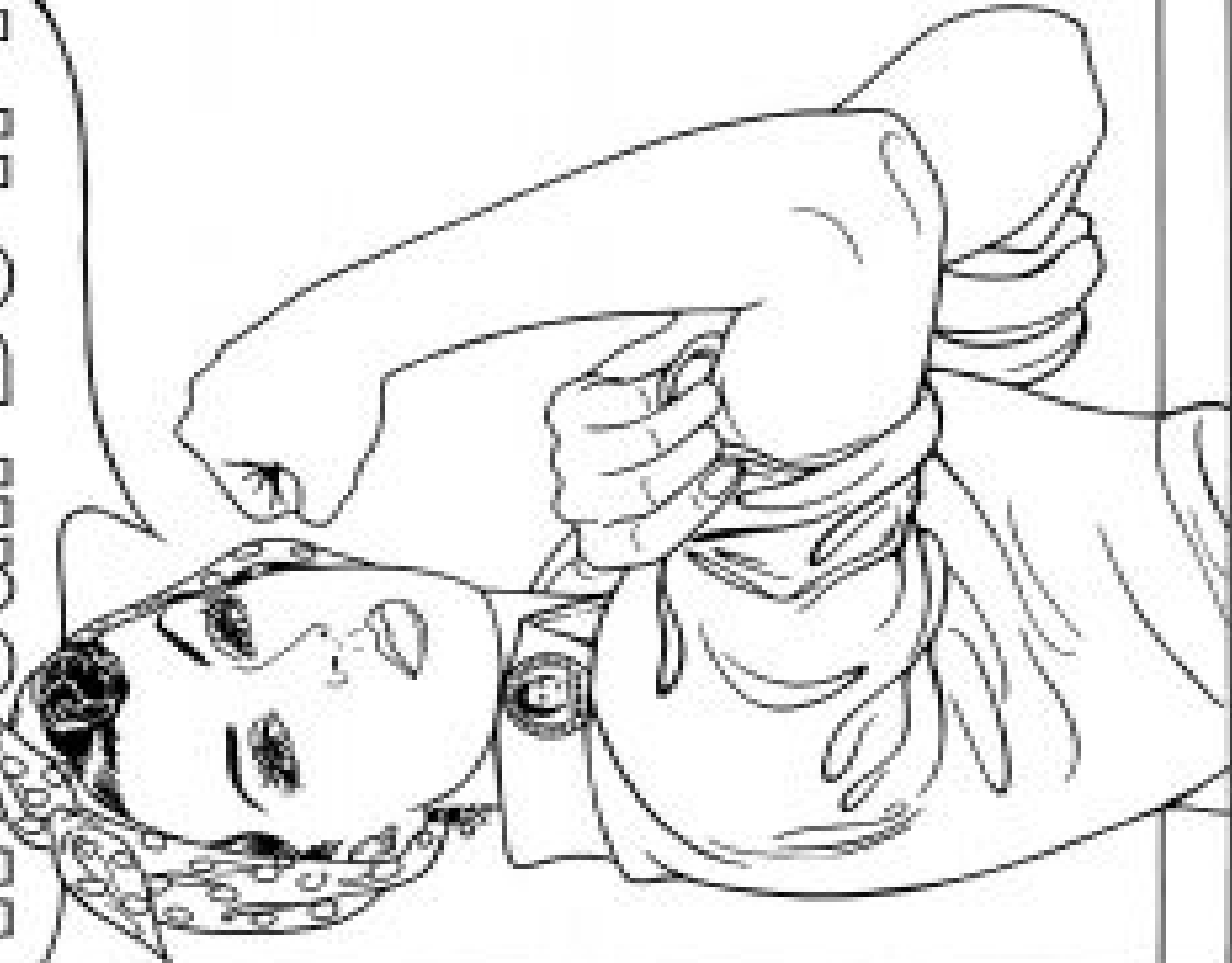
You can also share your photos and video's on the day!

We would love to see you all having fun at home whilst being part of the anniversary celebration.

#### My picnic list

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
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- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

WE CAN DO IT!



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#### Traditional games

Once you have planned your family picnic or party, how about organising some games? During the war, children didn't have much but it didn't stop them from having fun!

##### Blind man's bluff

use a scarf, tie or anything else to cover your eyes whilst trying to find the other players



##### Hide and seek

in your garden or in your house but remember to keep quiet or you will get caught!

##### Musical statues

put on some music from the 1940s and dance, but remember to stay still when the music stops!

##### Play cards

snap, chase the ace, go fish!

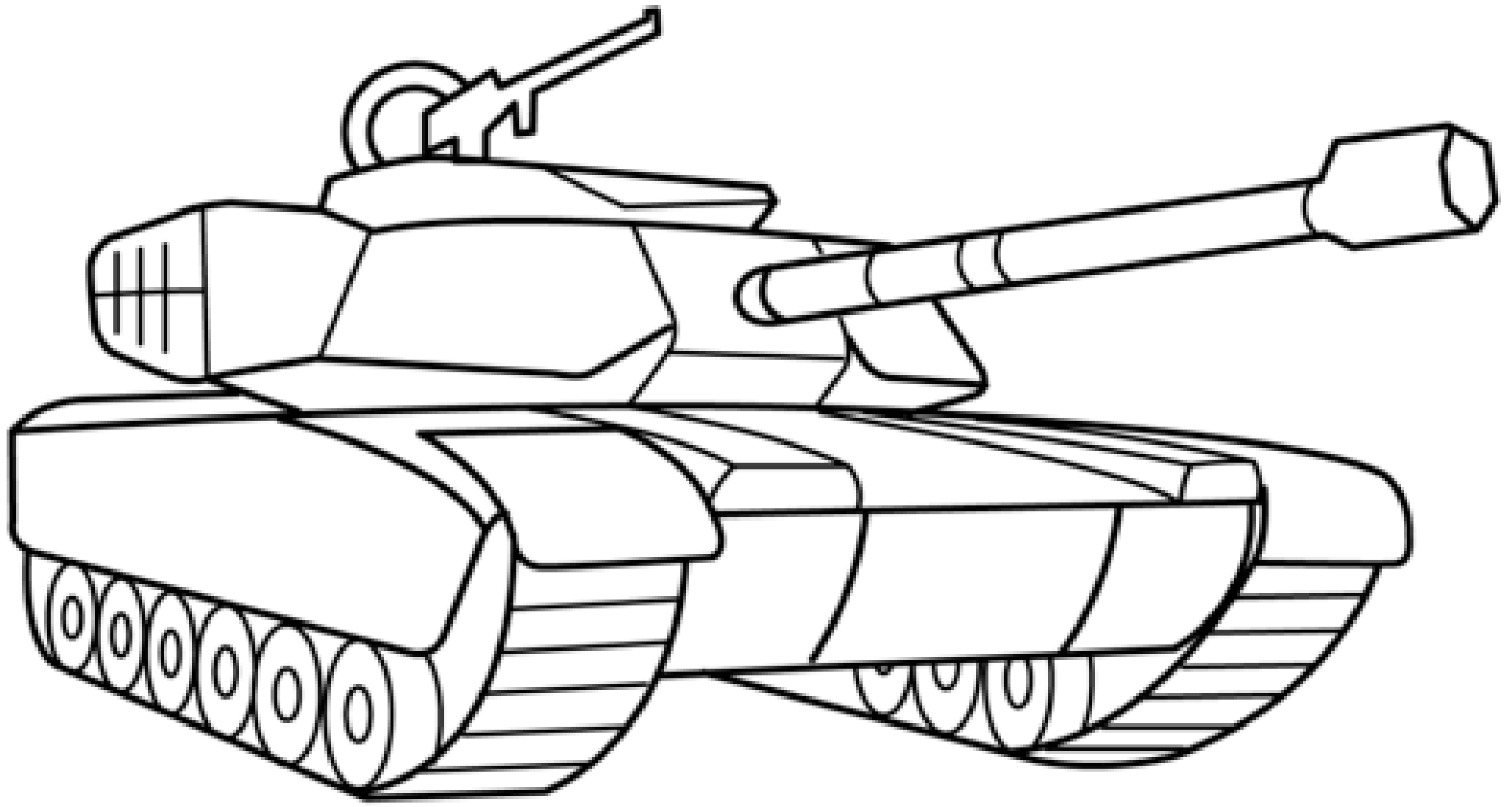


##### Jump rope

have a contest to see who can skip for the longest, or play snake in the grass.

Two people hold each end of the rope, making it wriggle, you have to jump over it without touching it! Avoid the snake!

**Don't forget, we would love to see your photos or hear your stories!**





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**Dig for Victory!**

During the war, people were encouraged to plant their own fruit and vegetables. Men, women and children used to grow their own food especially as a lot of food was rationed and hard to get.

Listed below are some of the food grown at home during the war.  
Can you guess what they are?

A_pl_s	C_r_ots	P_t_t_es
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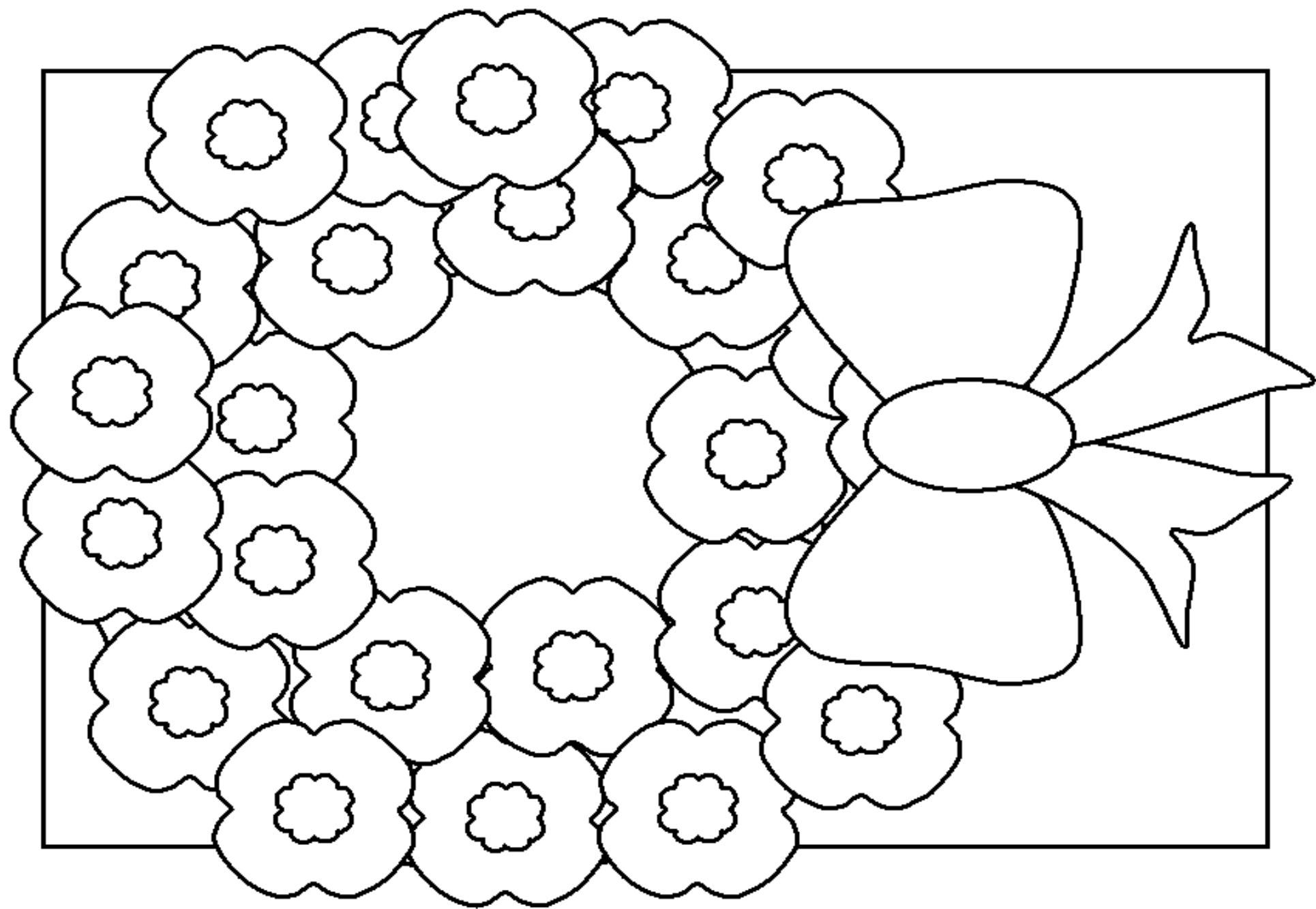
Why don't you and your family give it a try?

Carrots, radishes, cucumbers and onions can be grown in planters or in the ground.

If you don't have a garden you can grow lettuce, herbs and garlic on your window sill.

All they need is some good compost, water, sunlight and a bit of care.

**Give it a go and please remember to share your photos with us!**



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**Bunting**

**No celebration is complete without bunting!**

Overleaf you will find a stencil to create your very own VE Day bunting.

**You will need:**

- Some paper
- Scissors
- A black marker pen
- Red and blue pencils, pens or paints
- Ribbon or string
- Sticky tape
- Help from an adult

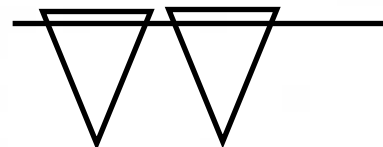
**Step 1** Draw over the lines of the flag with the black marker pen.

**Step 2** Place a piece of paper over the flags and trace the lines.  
You can make as many as you like

**Step 3** Using your pencils, pens or paints, colour in the flags.

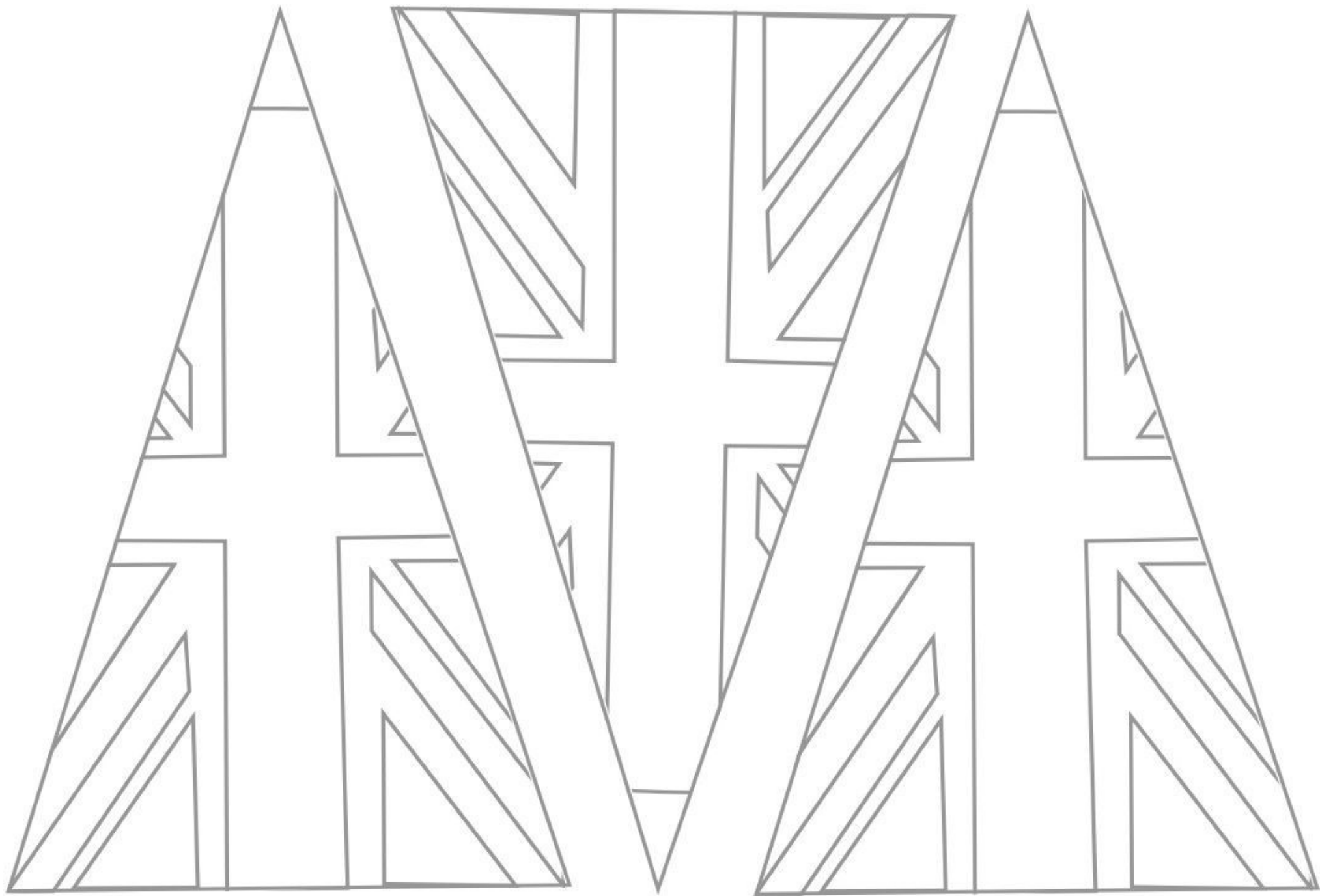
**Step 4** Cut the flags out (you may need an adult to help).

**Step 5** Lay out your ribbon or string and place your flags like this



**Step 6** Stick the top of the flags to the ribbon or string.

**Step 7** Hang your bunting in your home or garden.







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**Lawley & Overdale Parish Council and Bournville Stewardship Services in Lawley Village  
would like to thank you for taking part in the VE Day Anniversary Celebrations.**

**We hope you had fun!**

**Don't forget to post your photo's, drawings and videos to the events page.**

**We look forward to seeing you all soon!**