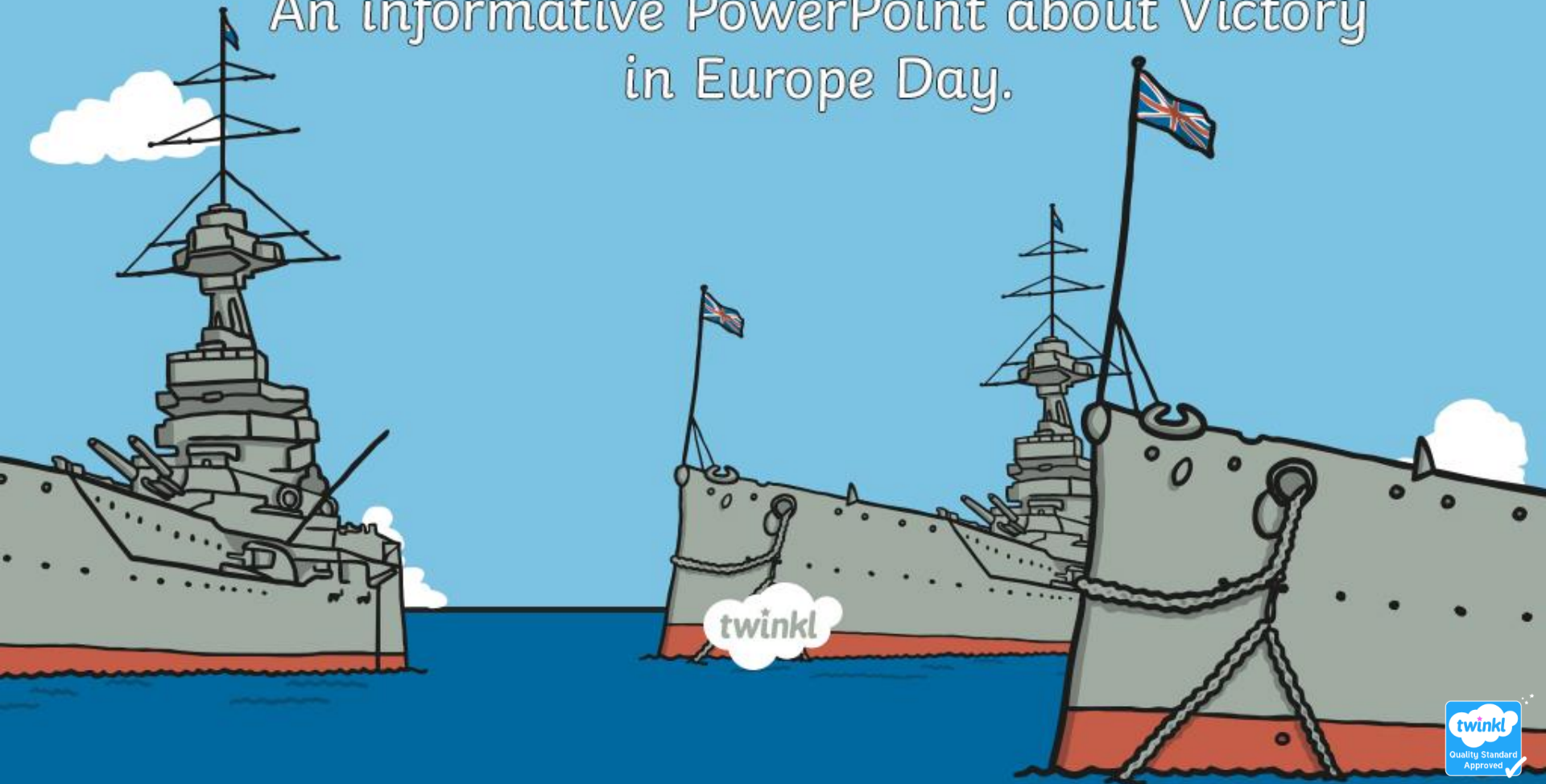


# VE Day Victory

An informative PowerPoint about Victory in Europe Day.



# Victory in Europe



VE Day took place on May 8<sup>th</sup> 1945. It was a public holiday and day of celebration to mark the end of the Second World War.

**Discuss It!**

How do you think it felt when the war finally ended?

# Time to Celebrate



- People ran out on to the streets, hanging bunting and banners and dancing.
- Church bells pealed across the country to share the news: peace in Europe!
- Everyone brought out food to share at street parties.
- Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup> was to be a national day of celebration: Victory in Europe Day.



# Time to Celebrate



- The capital city, London, was the place to be on VE Day.
- The centre of London was full of people wearing red, white and blue, waving flags, dancing and singing.
- Fireworks filled the sky with flashes of light.



# “The German war is therefore at an end.”



- On VE Day, everyone, both in London and at home sitting by their wireless sets, wanted to hear just one man: Winston Churchill.
- At 3pm the Prime Minister broadcast to the nation: the war was over.

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- Crowds gathered in Trafalgar Square and up The Mall.
- They were waiting for the Prime Minister Winston Churchill and King George VI to make an appearance on the balcony of Buckingham Palace.

# “This is your victory!”



- Shortly after the Prime Minister gave his speech, King George VI, Queen Elizabeth and the two princesses came out onto the balcony at Buckingham Palace.
- Winston Churchill told the crowds: “This is your victory!”

