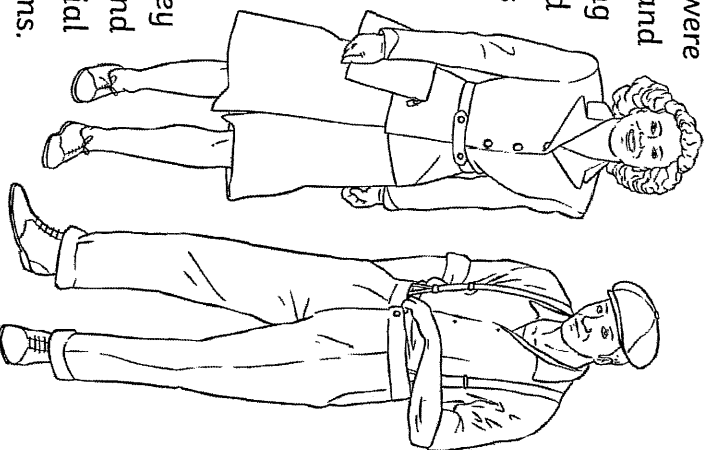


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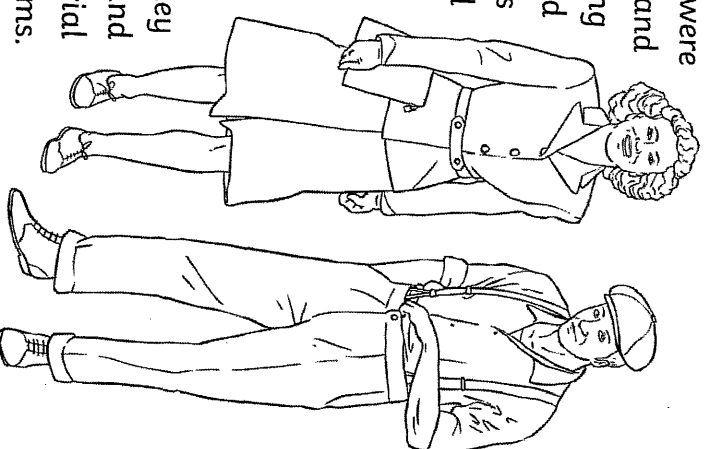
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World War II Crossword

Read the clues and complete the crossword. Reveal the hidden word by noting the letters in the outlined boxes. Rearrange the letters to spell out the name of a dance made popular in Britain during the war by American soldiers.

Across

- Country invaded by Germany, which sparked the outbreak of the war. (6)
- Repeated bombing of London and other cities. (3, 5)
- Name of the shelter where people could take refuge from bombing (8)
- Acronym to describe someone captured during conflict with enemy. (3)
- Children were evacuated from here. (4)
- Surname of popular British wartime prime minister. (9)

Down

- Earthy vegetables that were never rationed. (8)
- Adolf Hitler was the leader of this political party. (4)
- Name given to the members of the Women's Land Army (9)
- Surname of wartime diary writer, Anne ----- (5)
- Location of the D-Day landings. (8)
- Coalition formed by Germany, Japan and Italy. (4, 6)

Secret Word:

