**Fall of France Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[Fall of France Reading - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/year-10/year-10-fall-of-france-reading/)

1. What led to the beginning of World War II?
2. Why did the British send the BEF to France and Belgium?
3. What was the 'Phoney War'?
4. What was Germany's military strategy for victory?
5. What was the Maginot Line and the Ardennes Forest?
6. When did the German army launch their attack?
7. What was the 'pincer movement'?
8. By the end of May 1940, where were most of the BEF and French army trapped?
9. What did the army do while waiting for evacuation?
10. Who came up with the plan to save as many soldiers as possible?
11. What was the plan called?
12. Who was responsible for coordinating the operation?
13. When did the operation begin?
14. How long did the army manage to fight off the German advance?
15. How many ships took part in the operation?
16. When did the evacuation end?
17. How many troops were successfully evacuated to England?
18. Was Operation Dynamo successful?
19. What happened after the evacuation of Dunkirk?
20. When did France formally surrender to Hitler?
21. What happened to France after the armistice?
22. Who continued to fight for their freedom despite the surrender?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*What were the important events that led to the German conquest of France?*