

Battle of the Atlantic Vocabulary Sheet

Bearing- direction to a target

Convoy- a group of ships travelling together for protection

Cipher- a message written using a secret code

Depth Charge- an explosive device used to destroy submarines

Destroyer (DD)- a fast warship equipped with HF/DF or radar, sonar, and weapons suited for anti-submarine duty

Destroyer Escort (DE)- a smaller version of a destroyer equipped with HF/DF or radar, sonar, and weapons suited for anti-submarine duty

Escort Carrier (CVE)- a ship which carries small aircraft that can be used to search for and/or attack enemy submarines

Escort Duty- ships and aircraft that have been assigned to protect convoys from attack by U-boats

Range- distance to a target

Submerge- to be underwater

Surface- to be on top of the water

Tonnage- the cargo capacity of a merchant ship

Transmission- a signal sent from one location to another

ULTRA Intelligence- an Allied intelligence program designed to break German communication codes

U-boat- a German submarine

Vessel- a ship or boat