

## THE UK IN WW2 : 1940-1941



## The air battle: British planes vs German ones:

### GB:

- The fighter (= avion de chasse) « *Hawker Hurricane* »: Sturdy but a bit slow, used to machine-gun the German bombers (= bombardiers).



- The fighter « *Spitfire* »: has a high speed, easy to handle, used to machine-gun the German fighters



**Nazi Germany:**

- **The bomber *Heinkel*:** Used firstly during the Spanish civil war, this bomber was widely used for the Battle of England against the RAF and then to drop bombs on British cities during the Blitz.



- **The fighter *Messerschmitt*:** Not easy to handle compared to the *Spitfires*; easy to recognise during daily fights, it became useful during the Blitz thanks to its huge fuel endurance and fire power by night.

