## Chapter 1 - Number 46



January 1941. The middle of the Blitz. German planes had been bombing London for weeks.

Ned and Harry Jennings were running down Willow Street kicking a football. Their house, number 27, was OK but many of the houses on the street had been smashed to bits.

Most of their friends had been evacuated to families in the country, but some hadn't been so lucky. Like their best mate Charlie Smith from number 33. He had died three months ago, along with all of his family when a German bomb hit their house.

A family hadn't been found yet for Ned and Harry, so they were still in London.

Waiting.

They stopped outside number 46 Willow Street.

The top half of the house had been blasted off, so it just stood there.

Half a house.