

The **real** story behind the Hollywood blockbuster

DUNKIRK

OPERATION DYNAMO

1ST SEPTEMBER 1939

Nazi Germany invades Poland

LEBENSRAUM

10TH MAY 1940

Nazi Germany invades France and the Low Countries (the Netherlands and Belgium)

21ST MAY 1940

German forces trap Allied forces in an area along the northern coast of France

3RD SEPTEMBER 1939

Britain and France declare war on Nazi Germany

3RD SEPTEMBER 1939 – 10TH MAY 1940

The 'Phoney War'

To Do
- Start War

22ND MAY 1940

Halt order issued by German High Command

27TH MAY 1940

Evacuation of Allied forces begins – just 7,669 men rescued on this first day of the operation

28TH – 31ST MAY 1940

The Siege of Lille

4TH JUNE 1940

Operation Dynamo ends with more than 338,000 troops rescued by a fleet of over 800 boats.

4TH JUNE 1940

Winston Churchill gives famous 'We Shall Fight on the Beaches' speech to the House of Commons.



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