



## Creative Writing Prompt 59 x 622

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When I was little, I used to love listening to my grandad tell me his old war stories. He was a Royal Engineer and one of the first men to land on the beaches of Normandy during Operation Overlord, otherwise known as D-Day. Because of his tales, I love writing stories from the point of view of children; especially those who would have been the same age during the war as I was listening to my grandad.

So, when I moved house recently, and went for a long walk, I was inspired to discover a secret, abandoned WWII airfield near my home. These pictures I took show an old control tower that would have sent huge bomber planes across the English Channel to France and Germany; the airfield runway (covered in grass now) with abandoned “Pill Boxes” for storing aviation equipment and weapons; and a lookout post with hidden dugout.



**Writing Challenge:** I'd like you to imagine children the same age as you discovering this secret airfield. What would they find? What mischief could they get up to? And what would happen if, when they found it, they were transported back in time to when it was being used during the war?