

Wives and Mothers - Sources for Worksheet 3 – Mothers and War



How a nuclear attack would affect you...

Huddersfield, being a major engineering and chemicals manufacturing centre, could be a target.

- **FIRE:** In the inner ring the whole of Huddersfield from Outlane to Kirkheaton would catch fire. The heat in this area would be enough to melt metal. Six miles out the heat would set light to rubber and plastic...and people. Anyone in Leeds and Manchester looking our way would be blinded.
- **BLAST:** This would create a 600mph wind. Houses, the main hospitals and fire services would vanish.
- **FALLOUT:** A one-megaton explosion over Huddersfield would kill between 100,000 and 150,000 people immediately. Many thousands more would die slowly and in agony due to fallout. In the long term there would be cancers, leukaemia and birth defects.

CND Pamphlet: 'Nuclear War and You'

SOURCE A

NUCLEAR WAR AND YOU



A public information leaflet
prepared for the people
of Huddersfield

SOURCE B

HYMN FOR WOMEN FOR LIFE ON EARTH

Tune: Amazing Grace

*Though Eden's garden's passed
away
We still have fields to sow
With hands to love, with hearts to see
Our trees and children grow*

*When all the warheads turn to rust
Until our days are done
We'll hold our Mother Earth in trust
For children yet to come*

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SOURCE C