

# Not a James Bond girl

**1. Before watching the video, match the following words with their synonyms.**

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| undeterred •   | • large and heavy         |
| cumbersome •   | • informal name           |
| prosthetic •   | • lead, initiate          |
| nickname •     | • courageous              |
| informant •    | • artificial (body part)  |
| limp •         | • important, helpful      |
| spearhead •    | • come off the tracks     |
| derail •       | • walk with difficulty    |
| instrumental • | • someone who gives intel |

**2. Check the pronunciation of the following words. Circle the stressed syllable, then repeat them.**

- undeterred • cumbersome • prosthetic • nickname • informant • limp •  
spearhead • derail • instrumental

**3. Now, use these words to imagine what you are going to watch.**

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**4. Watch the video. Explain Virginia Hall's role and achievements during World War II and her link with France.**

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**5. Read the sentences carefully. Cross out the wrong ones and circle the right one.**

- a. Virginia Hall was an American secret agent recruited by the French resistance.
- b. Virginia Hall was an American undercover agent who worked for the Gestapo.
- c. Virginal Hall was an American CIA agent who was recruited just after her 27<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- d. Virginia Hall was an American woman who was recruited by the British service.

**6. Explain what happened when Virginia Hall was 27, using at least three words from question 1.**

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**7. Using your own words, explain why she wasn't recognised by the Gestapo when she was in France during WWII and how she escaped. Conclude.**

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**8. Explain how she was honoured by her country.**

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**9. You are invited by a schoolteacher in his/her class that studied WWII. Explain why Virginia Hall has become more than a symbol of power.**

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