Answers

Vocabulary:
1. (great) danger
2. someone who is not expected to win
3. nearly defeated

Retrieval:
4. (the beaches of) Dunkirk in northern France
5. Hurricane, Spitfire
6. underestimated the value of radar / stopped bombing the radar masts / stopped attacking airfields / started attacking London

Inference:
7. because the strong German army was planning to invade
8. because they had already fought the RAF planes over France / because they had twice as many planes