The Battle of Trafalgar

The Battle of Trafalgar was a **naval engagement** between the British **Royal Navy** and the **combined navies** of Spain and France.

The French had a plan to take control of the **English Channel** so **Napoleon** could **invade** England.

Admiral Lord Nelson led the British fleet into the battle in the Atlantic Ocean on 21st October 1805. They beat the **combined fleets** of Spain and France with a clever plan.



Glossary

Admiral: the highest leader of the fleet

Combined: joined together

Fleet: a large group of ships

Naval engagement: fight between humans in and on the sea or another large body of water

English Channel: a part of the Atlantic Ocean that separates England from France

Napoleon: leader of the French soldiers

Navy: a group of soldiers who fight at sea

Royal Navy: United Kingdom’s team of soldiers who fight on water

Invade: enter and take over