

Remembrance Day: Honouring Peace and History

Learning objective: To understand the significance of Remembrance Day, the importance of peace, and the symbols used to commemorate those who have served.

Read each question carefully and use your knowledge of history and reflection to provide thoughtful answers. You may use the word bank to help you.

Remembrance Day is observed on 11th November each year. It marks the time when the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War in 1918. We remember the service and sacrifice of all those who have defended our freedoms and our way of life. By wearing a poppy and observing a two-minute silence, we show our respect and our hope for a future of peace.

Word bank: Poppy · Armistice · Peace · Respect · Sacrifice · Soldier · November · Silence

1. Why is the date 11th November significant in history? Explain what happened at the 'eleventh hour'. (2 marks)

2. Ellie the elephant explains that symbols help us remember. Why is the poppy chosen as the symbol for Remembrance Day? (2 marks)

3. What does a two-minute silence represent to people observing Remembrance Day? (2 marks)

4. Max the monkey is thinking about the word 'sacrifice'. In your own words, what does this mean in the context of Remembrance? (2 marks)

5. List two ways that people in the UK show their respect during the month of November. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a field of poppies in the style of Zara the zebra, focusing on the patterns and colours, and include a small dove of peace in the corner of your picture.



Extension challenge: Write a short poem, in the style of Leo the lion, about the importance of being kind to others and working together to maintain peace in our community.