

Remembrance Day: A Time to Reflect

Learning objective: To write a thoughtful reflection on the significance of Remembrance Day, using appropriate vocabulary and structured paragraphs.

Use the writing frame below to help you structure your reflection. Think about why we wear poppies and why it is important to show respect for those who served in the armed forces.

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, the world pauses to remember those who gave their lives for peace.

Word bank: solemn · sacrifice · gratitude · courage · commemorate · nevertheless · furthermore · in addition · reflection · peaceful

1. Introduction: What is Remembrance Day and why do we observe the two-minute silence? Start by saying: 'Remembrance Day is a significant time of year because...' (2 marks)

2. The Symbol of the Poppy: Why do we wear poppies as a sign of respect? Start by saying: 'The bright red poppy has become a symbol of...' (2 marks)

3. Showing Gratitude: How can we show our thanks to those who served? Start by saying: 'We can show our gratitude today by...' (2 marks)

4. Reflecting on Peace: Why is it important to learn about history? Start by saying: 'Learning about the past is important because it helps us to...' (2 marks)

5. Conclusion: Summarise your thoughts on why it is important to remember. Start by saying: 'In conclusion, Remembrance Day teaches us to value...' (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a local memorial in your town or village. Write a short description of what is written on the monument and why it was built there.