

Remembrance Day: A Time to Remember with Leo the Lion

Learning objective: To understand the significance of Remembrance Day, the symbolism of the poppy, and why we mark the 11th of November.

Read the information provided by Leo the Lion carefully and answer the ten questions below. Good luck!

Remembrance Day is held on 11th November each year. It marks the day in 1918 when the First World War ended. At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an agreement called an Armistice was signed to stop the fighting. We wear red poppies to remember the brave soldiers who lost their lives in wars. The poppy became a symbol of hope because it was one of the first flowers to grow in the muddy, destroyed fields after the fighting stopped. On this day, people often stand for a two-minute silence to show respect and think about those who helped keep our country safe. It is a time for us to think about how we can build a world of peace for the future.

Word bank: Armistice · Poppy · Remembrance · Silence · Soldiers · Conflict · Peace · Gratitude

1. 1. On which date do we observe Remembrance Day each year? A) 1st November B) 11th November* C) 21st November D) 1st December (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: The red poppy is a symbol of hope and remembrance. (1 mark)

3. 3. What was the name of the agreement signed in 1918 to end the fighting? (1 word) (1 mark)

4. 4. How long is the period of silence held on Remembrance Day? A) 30 seconds B) 1 minute C) 2 minutes* D) 5 minutes (1 mark)

5. 5. Why did the poppy become a symbol of remembrance? A) It was the favorite flower of the King. B) It was the first flower to grow in the fields after fighting stopped.* C) It is the easiest flower to draw. D) It is the brightest color in the garden. (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: Remembrance Day is only about soldiers from the First World War. (1 mark)

7. 7. What time of day was the Armistice signed? (1 word) (1 mark)

8. 8. Why do we hold a silence on this day? A) Because we are tired. B) To show respect and remember.* C) Because the church bells are broken. D) To play a game of hide and seek. (1 mark)

9. 9. Fill in the blank: The poppy is a symbol of _____. (1 mark)

10. 10. Which war ended on 11th November 1918? A) The Second World War B) The First World War* C) The Napoleonic Wars D) The Cold War (1 mark)

Draw: Leo the Lion is standing in a field of poppies. Draw a picture of Leo holding a single red poppy, and add a clear blue sky above him to represent peace.



Extension challenge: Research a local war memorial in your town or village. Write a short paragraph about why communities build these monuments and what they tell us about our local history.