

Ellie's Remembrance Day Fact-File

Learning objective: To understand the significance of Remembrance Day and why we commemorate the contributions of those who served in the World Wars.

Use this template to record your findings about Remembrance Day. You can use your school library books or research notes to help Ellie the Elephant complete this historical record. Think carefully about why we use symbols like the poppy to show our respect.

Word bank: Armistice · Commemoration · Poppy · Sacrifice · Conflict · Respect · Veterans · Gratitude

1. The Meaning of the Date: Explain why 11th November is the date chosen for Remembrance Day and what 'Armistice' means. (3 marks)

2. Symbols of Remembrance: Describe the poppy symbol. Why is it used as a sign of remembrance and hope? (2 marks)

3. The Two-Minute Silence: Why do we hold a two-minute silence at 11:00 am? Describe the atmosphere during this time. (2 marks)

4. Personal Reflection: If you were speaking to a veteran today, what is one question you would ask them about their experience? (2 marks)

5. Local Connections: Research if there is a war memorial in your local area. Describe what it looks like and where it is located. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Write a short, respectful poem or a letter of gratitude that could be left at a local war memorial to honor those who served.