

Remembrance Day: Honouring the Past

Learning objective: To understand the significance of Remembrance Day, the importance of the poppy as a symbol, and how we show respect for those who served in conflicts.

Read each question carefully and use your knowledge of Remembrance Day to write thoughtful, clear answers. Use the word bank to help you with key vocabulary.

Remembrance Day is observed on 11 November each year. It marks the day the First World War ended in 1918, when the guns fell silent at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. It is a time for people to reflect on the bravery of those who have served in conflicts and to consider the importance of working towards peace in our world today.

Word bank: Armistice · Remembrance · Sacrifice · Conflict · Tribute · Poppy · Gratitude · Silence

1. Why do we observe Remembrance Day on the 11th of November? Explain the historical significance of this date. (2 marks)

2. Nova the Owl asks: Why is the poppy used as a symbol for Remembrance Day? Describe what it represents to people. (2 marks)

3. During Remembrance services, a two-minute silence is held. Why do you think taking a moment of silence is a respectful way to remember people? (2 marks)

4. Max the Monkey is looking at a budget for a local charity appeal. If a poppy costs £1.00 and a school buys 50 poppies for a memorial display, what is the total cost? If they have £60.00, how much money will be left over for the charity? (2 marks)

5. List two ways that people in your community might show their gratitude or pay their respects on Remembrance Day. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a peaceful scene that represents the idea of remembrance. You could include symbols like a poppy, a wreath, or a quiet, natural landscape.



Extension challenge: Leo the Lion is writing a poem about peace. Write a short four-line poem (a quatrain) about why it is important to remember the past and hope for a peaceful future.