

Ellie's Great War Social Studies / History Quiz

Learning objective: To recall key facts about the causes, life, and conclusion of the First World War.

Join Ellie the elephant on a journey through history! Answer these ten questions to test your knowledge about the First World War (1914–1918). Read each question carefully before choosing your answer.

Answer Key: 1. A (1914), 2. False (It lasted until 1918), 3. Trenches, 4. B (The Allies), 5. True, 6. Poppy, 7. C (The Home Front), 8. 11th November, 9. True, 10. B (Machine guns and tanks).

Word bank: Allies · Trenches · Armistice · Central Powers · Home Front · Poppy

1. 1. In which year did the First World War begin? A) 1914* B) 1918 C) 1939 D) 1900 (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: The war ended after only six months of fighting. (1 mark)

3. 3. What was the name of the long, narrow ditches dug by soldiers for protection? (1 mark)

4. 4. Which group included Britain, France, and Russia? A) The Central Powers B) The Allies* C) The Neutral Nations D) The Axis (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Women took on many jobs previously done by men during the war. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which flower became a symbol of remembrance for the soldiers who died? (1 mark)

7. 7. What term describes the activities and life of people living in Britain while the soldiers were away? A) The Front Line B) The Battlefield C) The Home Front* D) The Trench Line (1 mark)

8. 8. On which date (day and month) did the Armistice occur in 1918? (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: The First World War involved countries from all over the globe, not just Europe. (1 mark)

10. 10. Which of these technologies were used for the first time on a large scale? A) Jet engines B) Tanks and machine guns* C) Mobile phones D) Rockets (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a commemorative scene featuring a field of poppies and a simple stone memorial. Think about how the colours and shapes can show respect for history.



Extension challenge: Ellie the elephant wants to know more! Write a short diary entry (about 100 words) from the perspective of someone living on the Home Front in 1917, explaining how daily life had changed because of the war.