Ellie’s Remembrance Day Fact-File

Learning objective: To understand the significance of Remembrance Day and why we observe the two-minute silence.

Help Ellie the elephant learn about our history. Use your own knowledge or research in class to fill in this fact-file about Remembrance Day. Write clearly and think carefully about why we show respect on this day.

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

1. The Meaning of the Day: Explain in your own words why we celebrate Remembrance Day on 11th November each year. (2 marks)

2. The Symbol of the Poppy: Why do you think the poppy was chosen as the special symbol for this day? (2 marks)

3. The Two-Minute Silence: Describe what happens during the two-minute silence and why it is important to be quiet. (3 marks)

4. Showing Gratitude: How can people in our community show their thanks to the brave people who served in conflicts? (2 marks)

5. Reflective Thought: If you could write a message of peace to the world, what would you say? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Design a commemorative poster or a memorial plaque that could be placed in a local park to help people remember those who gave their lives for our country.