



Across the Curriculum 6f

PSHE



Check these words

war • honour • fighting
memorial • bugle
silence • pinned
poppy • battlefields

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9.1.3.1 9.1.10.1 What events are important to remember each year: for a person? for a society? Why? What do Australians remember on Remembrance Day? Listen, read and check.

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9.4.4.1 9.4.5.1 9.4.7.1 Read the text again and match the headings to the paragraphs. There is one extra heading which you do not need.

- A Flowers to honour
- B Painful memories
- C An annual event
- D A solemn commemoration



Remembrance Day in Australia

1 Australians celebrate Remembrance Day on 11th November every year in honour of the 62,000 Australians who died fighting in World War I. It is also an occasion to honour soldiers who have died in wars since then.

2 In the morning, the crowds gather at war memorials across the country. People sing songs and read poems. Then, just before 11 am, a musician plays *The Last Post* on a bugle. This slow, sad tune signals the beginning of a two-minute silence. Eleven o'clock marks the end of the First World War on the morning of the 11th November, 1918. Then the bugler plays *The Rouse*. This is the tune which wakes soldiers up in the mornings and, as part of the Remembrance Service, is a sign of hope and of a new beginning.

3 On this occasion many people wear red paper poppies pinned to their clothes. The poppy is the symbol of Remembrance Day because these flowers grew in such huge numbers every year on the battlefields in France during World War I.

Study Skills

Matching headings

In order to match the headings to the paragraphs, read the text through once, then read each paragraph again and look for words that have the same meaning as some words in the headings.

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9.4.8.1 Complete the sentences with words from the box. Use your dictionary.

- 1 People celebrate Remembrance Day in of dead soldiers.
- 2 Lots of soldiers died the enemy during the
- 3 There is a war in the town to remind people of those who died on the
- 4 People stood in for two minutes before the parade started.

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9.3.7.1 9.3.8.1 How are the following related to Remembrance Day? Use the text to make sentences.

11th November, two-minute silence, a bugler, World War I

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9.3.8.1 9.1.8.1 **THINK!** Imagine it's Remembrance Day and you are standing in the middle of a field of poppies. How do you feel? Why should we respect those who gave their lives for our freedom? Write a few sentences. Tell the class.