

# Lest we Forget: For better or for worse?

## World War One and World War Two

The Poppy is a symbol for remembrance for people who have lost their lives during war. It gives society a time to think, pause and reflect on the sacrifices made by others.

Did you know the first Poppy appeal was in 1921? This means we have been wearing these poppies for 100 years!



The first time poppies were used, they were sold to raise money for soldiers who had served for their country, and to support the families who had lost their lives in the war. But why did they use a Poppy?

In 1915, John McCrae, a Canadian doctor, took inspiration from his surroundings to write a poem. This poem was called "In Flanders Fields," and this poem mentions the poppies that he saw around him whilst in the war. They were a common sight, especially on the Western Front, as nothing else would grow on the war-torn ground.

Some website to help you:

Also, see Showbie for a PowerPoint of art/sculpture ideas

<https://www.historyforkids.net/world-war-one.html>

<https://happyhooligans.ca/easy-poppy-crafts-for-kids/>

<https://www.iwm.org.uk/history/why-we-wear-poppies-on-remembrance-day>

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/47380/in-flanders-fields>

Use the research and aim to achieve **gold!**

**1**

**GOLD**

Create a statue of a soldier to display with your Poppy and poem.

**2**

**SILVER**

Create a 3D model of a Poppy which could be worn or displayed with your poem.

**3**

**BRONZE**

Create a poem with the theme of World War One Remembrance and the Poppy symbol.