



*HOW TO FIND AND USE*

# Remembrance Day Resources

A Resource List for Staff & Students



This list is better used online. Many of the resources are weblinks.

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## BOOKS

### **On Remembrance Day** by Eleanor Creasey

An exploration of Canadian Remembrance Day history, customs, and traditions.

### **Canada's Wars : An Illustrated History** by Jonathan Webb

A fascinating account of Canada's military history and the role Canada's troops have played on foreign soil.

### **Remembering John McCrae : Soldier, Doctor, Poet** by Linda Granfield

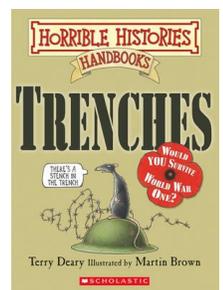
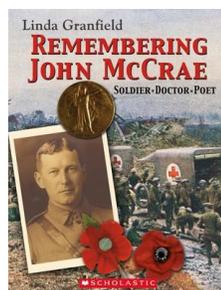
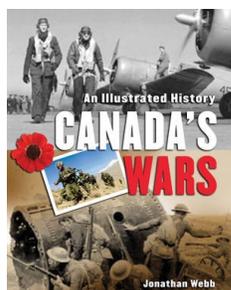
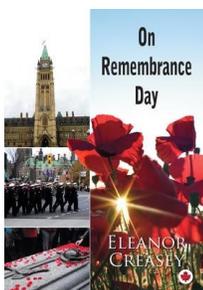
Follow John McCrae through his childhood and teens; his love of family, animals and sports; his years in medicine and the military; until the fateful day during the First World War when the loss of a close friend moved him to write "In Flanders Fields."

### **True Stories of the First World War** by Paul Dowswell

Ten stories of the First World War from people who lived through it, published in association with Imperial War Museums. Eye-witness accounts of some of World War One's most important events, from the epic naval battle of Jutland to the strange Christmas truce of 1914.

### **The War to End All Wars : World War I** by Russell Freedman

The tangled relationships and alliances of many nations, the introduction of modern weaponry, and top-level military decisions that resulted in thousands upon thousands of casualties all contributed to the "great war," which people hoped and believed would be the only conflict of its kind.



## BOOKS (continued)



### **The Usborne Introduction to the First World War** by Ruth Brocklehurst

Discover how the war affected every corner of the globe, and how it provoked revolutions and toppled empires. Find out the about the soldiers' terrifying experiences in the trenches in the most destructive war the world had ever seen.

### **Trenches** by Terry Deary

From foul food to coping with legions of lice, this handbook delivers the dire details about life in the trenches, and about all of the blood and the mud endured by soldiers of the First World War. Told in a humorous manner. Part of the Horrible Histories series.

### **Truce** by Jim Murphy

a stunning nonfiction masterpiece about a Christmas miracle on the Western Front during World War I.

### **From Vimy to Victory** by Hugh Brewster

From Vimy to Victory is presented in an engaging and accessible scrapbook style, with facts and details accompanied by first-person accounts, letters describing life at the Front, wartime diaries, and numerous images, maps, and diagrams that bring World War I to vivid life.

### **World War II** by H.P. Willmott

First-hand accounts from combats and civilians blend with compelling images and unique graphics and timelines to create a truly complete picture of the war that defined the modern world.

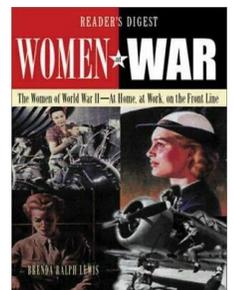
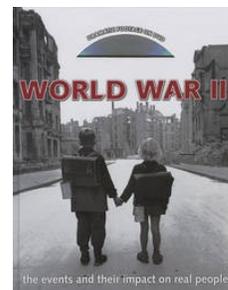
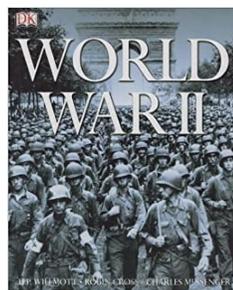
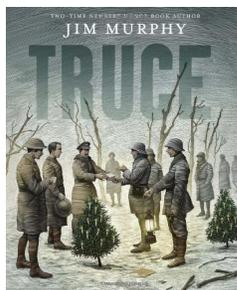
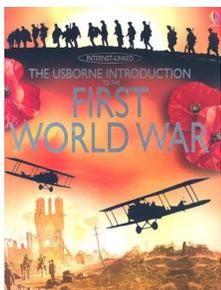
### **WWII : The People's Story** by Reader's Digest Canada

Based on original eyewitness accounts, tells the firsthand stories of those who fought or lived through the war to end all wars. These courageous men, women, children, soldiers, sailors, pilots and workers tell in their own words how they joined, what they felt and what they did to survive.

### **A Day of Remembrance** by Veterans' Affairs Canada

An excellent, brief, history of Canada's wars and conflicts and why we should remember the men and women who fought for our country. Printed class set available in the library. **28 pages.**

**Disponible aussi en Français.**



## BOOKS (continued)



### **World War II : The Events and Their Impact on Real People**

by Reg G. Grant

Comprehensively discusses the decisions made, battles fought, lives affected, and subsequent results of the war that defined the twentieth century. It includes firsthand testimony of young soldiers who remember the front lines, as well as the wives, parents, and children left at home.

### **Women at War : The Women of World War II : At Home, At Work, On the Front Line**

by Brenda Ralph Lewis

World War II called vast numbers of men to fight for their country and left behind huge vacuums -- in the family, the workplace and society at large. "Women at War" celebrates the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters who bravely stepped into the breach and explores how their experiences changed lives ever after for both sexes.



## FREE EBOOKS (limitless copies)

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### [Teaching Guide](#) by the Royal Canadian Legion

To help Canada's youth educators develop an understanding and appreciation for Remembrance Day, and encourage youth to participate, The Royal Canadian Legion created a teaching guide to assist primary and secondary schools in teaching students about the tradition of Remembrance and our military history. Download the pdf using link on the webpage.

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# WEBSITES



## Wars and Conflicts

[South African War \(1899-1902\)](#)

[First World War \(1914-1918\)](#)

[Second World War \(1939-1945\)](#)

[Korean War \(1950-1953\)](#)

[Cyprus Peacekeeping Mission \(1960-present\)](#)

[Gulf War \(1990-1991\)](#)

[Balkans Peacekeeping Mission \(1991-present\)](#)

[Rwandan Peacekeeping Mission \(1993-1996\)](#)

[Afghanistan \(2001-2014\)](#)

## Special Topics

[Black Canadians in uniform](#)

[Jewish Canadian service in the Second World War](#)

[Indigenous Veterans](#)

[Women in service](#)

[Chinese Canadians in service](#)

[Hockey in the Canadian military](#)

## VIDEOS (online)



### [What Is Remembrance Day and Why Is the Poppy its Symbol?](#)

by Inside Edition

Major Rick Cameron, the Deputy Military Advisor at Canada's Mission to the UN discusses the history of Remembrance Day and the meaning of the Poppy. "The intent behind Remembrance Day is not to glorify war. It's to reflect upon those who paid the ultimate sacrifice." **4 min.**

### [Remembrance Day Song \('Soldiers Cry' By Roland Majeau\)](#) by Massimo Stefanovic

Music slide show to commemorate the soldiers that have fallen and served Canada and its people to preserve freedom and peace. **4 min.**

### [Canadian Veterans Reflect on Remembrance Day](#) by Veterans Affairs Canada

A new generation of veterans reflect on what it means to be a veteran, and what Remembrance Day should mean to all Canadians. **4 min.**

### [Nursing Sisters](#) by Historica Canada

Over 3,000 Canadian women joined the battlefield as Nursing Sisters in the First World War. **1 min.**

### [Two Minutes of Silence](#) by The Royal Canadian Legion

The Legion has compiled a video honouring the two minutes of silence where Canadians pause to reflect and remember. The video has no words or music, and the central montage is two minutes long. **3 min.**