

Why do we wear poppies?

What? (key knowledge)	
Remembrance Day	Happens on the 11 th day of the 11 th month 11/11
What is Remembrance Day?	Remembrance day marks the day that the First World War ended in 1918. The first Remembrance day was in 1919.
What happens?	On the 11 th day in the 11 th month at 11am, a two-minutes silence is held. During these two-minutes people have time to reflect and think about those who fought during the war and those who serve our country.
Other names	Remembrance day is sometimes referred to as Poppy Day or as Armistice Day too.

Poppies should be worn on the left of your chest. This is to show that those who died during the war are close to your heart. The leaf should also be pointing at 11 O'clock to show 11am on 11/11.



A poppy is worn rather than any other flower because they grow wild in many fields in northern France and Belgium (which is where many **battles** during the First World War took place). Purple poppies can be worn too and they are to show that we remember the animals that died during the war too.

Key Vocabulary

Soldiers
Battlefield/battles
Commenced
Remembrance
Armistice
Poppy/poppies
wounds
nurses

Positive change
hospital
nurturing
conditions
amputation
infection
antibiotics
surgery
cleanliness

modern day
treatment
war
reflect
Edith Cavell
Mary Seacole
Florence Nightingale
significant people



Significant women who made a difference to the way soldiers were cared for



Name- **Edith Cavell**
Edith Cavell was a nurse during WW1. She helped look after many sick **soldiers** no matter which side they fought for. She also helped soldiers escape from war.

Name- **Mary Seacole**
Mary Seacole improved the lives of soldiers by opening a **hospital** to look after them, treating soldiers with herbal remedies and even helping them on the **battlefield**.



Name- **Florence Nightingale**
Florence nursed soldiers in the Crimean War. Florence found the **conditions** in the hospital quite poor. Soldiers weren't properly cared for and many died from **infection**, rather than their actual **wounds**.