

# Remembrance Day



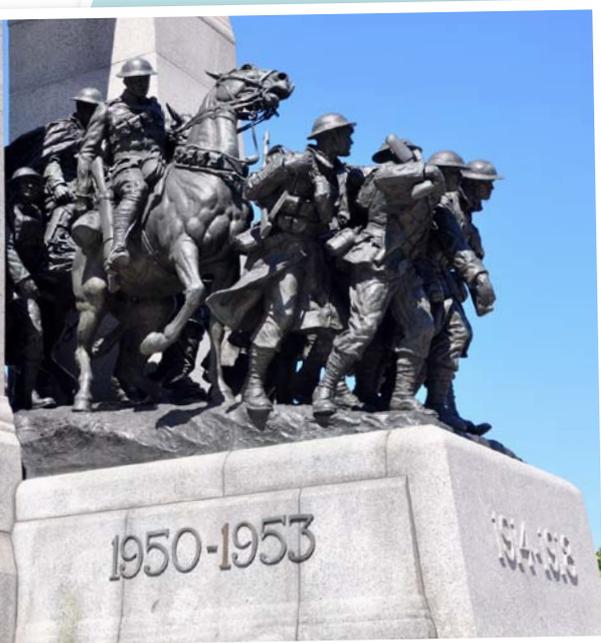
1 Sai in che giorno viene festeggiato il *Remembrance Day*?  
Scegli l'opzione corretta.

1  11th August

2  11th November

3  11th January

2 Leggi il testo e controlla la tua risposta.



Remembrance Day is also called Poppy Day, Armistice Day or Veteran's Day and takes place every year on 11th November. It commemorates the sacrifices of men and women during times of war. Why 11th November? Well, this remembers the end of World War I, which ended 'at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month' in 1918.

In most parts of the United States and Canada, Remembrance Day is a public holiday. In Canada, an official ceremony takes place at the National War Memorial in Ottawa. There are many traditions associated with Remembrance Day including the laying of poppy wreaths, military parades, two minutes of silence and a gun salute.

The poppy is the emblem of Remembrance Day across much of the world. Poppies flowered in many of the worst battlefields during World War I and the famous poem 'Flanders Fields', by the Canadian doctor John McCrae, referred to them too. To commemorate soldiers who died in the many wars, people wear poppies in their left lapel and lay wreaths of artificial poppies.

3 **ES** Rileggi il testo e rispondi alle domande.

What does Remembrance Day commemorate?  
*The sacrifices of men and women during times of war.*

1 When did World War I end?

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2 Is Remembrance Day a public holiday all over the USA and Canada?

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3 What traditions are associated with Remembrance Day?

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4 What does the poppy represent?

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5 Who wrote the poem 'Flanders Fields'?

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## COMPARING CULTURES

4 Prepara una presentazione su una festività del tuo paese in cui si celebra la fine della guerra rispondendo alle domande.

- What happens in your town?
- Are there any special military parades or traditions?
- Is the poppy an important symbol in Italy?