



# READING PASSAGES WITH TEXT DEPENDENT QUESTIONS

## CHRISTMAS TRUCE

### A SPECIAL TIME

During World War I, there was a moment that stood out among the fighting and the fear. It was called the Christmas Truce.



### LONGING FOR PEACE

In 1914, soldiers from different countries found themselves far from home, away from their families, and stuck in a war. As Christmas drew near, they wished for peace more than anything else.



### SINGING ACROSS THE LINES

On Christmas Eve, something magical happened. Soldiers on both sides of the war started singing Christmas songs. The melodies floated through the air, crossing the lines that divided them.

### A BRAVE STEP

The next morning, on Christmas Day, something incredible unfolded. Soldiers began to step out of their trenches, cautiously at first, then with more confidence. They walked towards each other, leaving behind their weapons.

### GIFTS AND SMILES

Instead of fighting, the soldiers exchanged gifts. They gave each other simple things like chocolate, cigarettes, and even buttons from their uniforms. Laughter replaced the sound of gunfire.

### GAMES IN NO MAN'S LAND

In the space between the opposing trenches, known as no man's land, something extraordinary happened. Soldiers started playing soccer together. They laughed and cheered as they kicked the ball around, forgetting about the war for a moment.

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### A MOMENT OF PEACE

For a short while, the guns fell silent. Enemies became friends, sharing stories and memories from home. They even helped each other bury their fallen comrades, showing respect and kindness to those they had fought against just moments before.



### THE END OF THE TRUCE

Sadly, the Christmas Truce couldn't last forever. Commanders on both sides ordered the soldiers to return to their trenches and resume fighting. But the memory of that brief moment of peace stayed with them.

### A LESSON LEARNED

The Christmas Truce taught us an important lesson. It showed that even in the middle of a terrible war, people can still come together in peace and friendship. It reminds us that no matter how hard things may seem, there is always hope for peace and understanding.

### CONCLUSION

The Christmas Truce of World War I remains a remarkable event in history. It reminds us of the power of kindness, compassion, and the human spirit, even in the darkest of times. And it teaches us that peace is always worth striving for, no matter the circumstances.

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# CHRISTMAS TRUCE

DIRECTIONS CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

- 1. What event is the passage about?**
  - A) Easter Truce
  - B) Halloween Truce
  - C) Christmas Truce
  - D) Thanksgiving Truce
- 2. When did the Christmas Truce take place?**
  - A) Christmas Eve
  - B) New Year's Eve
  - C) Christmas Day
  - D) New Year's Day
- 3. What did soldiers exchange during the Christmas Truce?**
  - A) Weapons
  - B) Gifts
  - C) Food rations
  - D) Uniforms
- 4. What activity did soldiers engage in during the truce?**
  - A) Building trenches
  - B) Playing soccer
  - C) Singing war songs
  - D) Writing letters to their families
- 5. Where did soldiers play soccer during the Christmas Truce?**
  - A) In their trenches
  - B) In no man's land
  - C) Behind enemy lines
  - D) In the enemy's trenches

## SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What event does the passage describe?
2. When did the Christmas Truce take place?
3. What did soldiers exchange during the truce?
4. What activity did soldiers engage in during the truce?
5. What lesson did the Christmas Truce teach?

- 6. What replaced the sound of gunfire?**
  - A) Laughter
  - B) Thunder
  - C) Rain
  - D) Silence

- 7. How did soldiers feel during the Christmas Truce?**
  - A) Sad and lonely
  - B) Angry and frustrated
  - C) Happy and peaceful
  - D) Tired and bored

- 8. Who ordered the soldiers to return to the front and resume fighting?**
  - A) Their families
  - B) Commanders on both sides
  - C) Santa Claus
  - D) The Red Cross

- 9. What lesson did the Christmas Truce teach?**
  - A) War is the only solution to conflicts
  - B) Enemies can never become friends
  - C) Peace is worth striving for
  - D) Soldiers should always follow orders

- 10. What did the Christmas Truce remind soldiers of?**
  - A) The importance of war
  - B) The power of kindness and compassion
  - C) The joy of fighting
  - D) The necessity of conflict

## ANSWER KEY

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1. C) Christmas Truce
2. C) Christmas Day
3. B) Gifts
4. B) Playing soccer
5. B) In no man's land
6. A) Laughter
7. C) Happy and peaceful
8. B) Commanders on both sides
9. C) Peace is worth striving for
10. B) The power of kindness and compassion

## SHORT-ANSWER QUESTION

1. The passage describes the Christmas Truce.
2. The Christmas Truce took place during World War I.
3. Soldiers exchanged gifts during the truce.
4. Soldiers engaged in playing soccer during the truce.
5. The Christmas Truce taught the lesson that peace is worth striving for.

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ANSWER KEY  
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