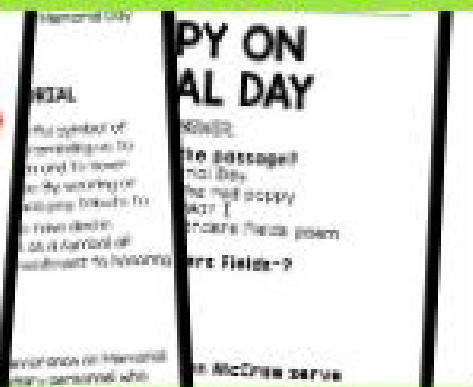
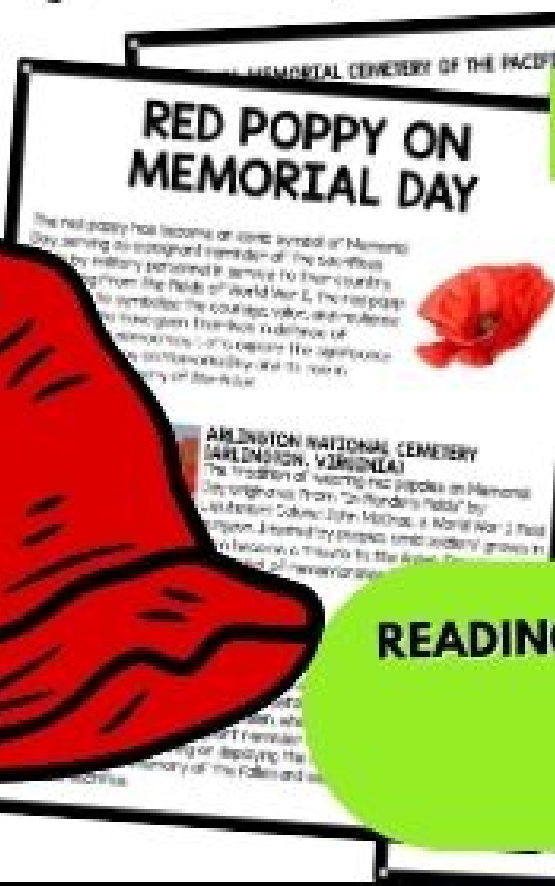


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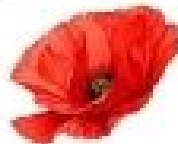


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RED POPPY ON MEMORIAL DAY

The red poppy has become an iconic symbol of Memorial Day, serving as a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by military personnel in service to their country. Originating from the fields of World War I, the red poppy has come to symbolize the courage, valor, and resilience of those who have given their lives in defense of freedom and democracy. Let's explore the significance of the red poppy on Memorial Day and its role in honoring the memory of the fallen.



ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY (ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA)

The tradition of wearing red poppies on Memorial Day originates from "In Flanders Fields" by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, a World War I field surgeon. Inspired by poppies amid soldiers' graves in Flanders, Belgium, McCrae's poem became a tribute to the fallen. Its poignant imagery made the red poppy a symbol of remembrance for war victims.

GETTYSBURG NATIONAL CEMETERY (GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA)

The red poppy symbolizes the bloodshed, sacrifice, and resilience of military personnel who have died in service to their country. Its vibrant red petals evoke the courage and valor of the fallen, while its delicate beauty serves as a poignant reminder of the fragility of life. By wearing or displaying the red poppy on Memorial Day, individuals honor the memory of the fallen and express gratitude for their service and sacrifice.

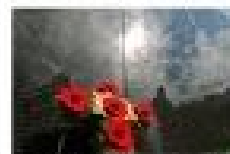


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NATIONAL MEMORIAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC (HONOLULU, HAWAII)

Wearing red poppies on Memorial Day has become a longstanding tradition in the United States and other countries around the world. The practice was popularized by Moina Michael, an American professor and humanitarian, who was inspired by McCrae's poem to wear a dried poppy as a symbol of remembrance. In 1933, Michael campaigned for the adoption of the red poppy as a symbol of remembrance, leading to its widespread use on Memorial Day and other commemorative occasions.



VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL (WASHINGTON, D.C.)

The red poppy serves as a powerful symbol of remembrance on Memorial Day, reminding us to honor the sacrifices of the fallen and to never forget their service and sacrifice. By wearing or displaying the red poppy, individuals pay tribute to the courage, valor, and patriotism of military personnel who have died in defense of freedom and democracy. The red poppy serves as a symbol of hope, resilience, and solidarity, uniting people in a shared commitment to honoring the memory of the fallen.

CONCLUSION

The red poppy is a timeless symbol of sacrifice and remembrance on Memorial Day, representing the courage, valor, and resilience of military personnel who have died in service to their country. As we observe Memorial Day, let us wear or display the red poppy with pride, gratitude, and reverence, honoring the memory of the fallen and pledging to preserve their legacy for future generations.

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DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. What is the primary focus of the passage?
a) Exploring the history of Memorial Day
b) Discussing the significance of the red poppy
c) Analyzing the impact of World War I
d) Describing the origins of the Flanders Fields poem
2. Who wrote the poem "In Flanders Fields"?
a) John McCrae
b) Mona Michael
c) Lieutenant Colonel John
d) An anonymous soldier
3. Where did Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae serve during World War I?
a) United States
b) Belgium
c) Canada
d) France
4. What inspired the tradition of wearing red poppies on Memorial Day?
a) A speech by a military leader
b) A poem about fallen soldiers
c) An ancient tradition
d) A religious ceremony
5. What does the red poppy symbolize?
a) Peace and prosperity
b) Courage, sacrifice, and resilience
c) Victory in war
d) Political activism

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Who wrote the poem "In Flanders Fields"?
2. What inspired the tradition of Memorial Day?
3. What does the red poppy symbolize?
4. Who campaigned for the adoption of the red poppy as a symbol of remembrance?
5. What emotion does the red poppy evoke?

5. Who campaigned for the adoption of the red poppy as a symbol of remembrance?

- a) John McCrae
- b) Mona Michael
- c) A group of veterans
- d) Military commissioners

6. In which year did Mona Michael's adoption of the red poppy?

- a) 1918
- b) 1920
- c) 1919
- d) 1917

7. What emotion does the red poppy evoke?

- a) Sadness
- b) Joy
- c) Gratitude
- d) Anger

8. What does wearing or displaying the Memorial Day signify?

- a) Celebration of victory
- b) Support for current military actions
- c) Remembrance and gratitude for fallen soldiers
- d) Political protest

9. What is the red poppy's role in war?

- a) It promotes peace and conflict
- b) It symbolizes hope and resilience
- c) It represents military strategy
- d) It is a common summer flower

ANSWER KEY

MCQ'S

1. b) Discussing the significance of the red poppy
2. a) John McCrae
3. b) Courage, sacrifice, and resilience
4. b) A poem about fallen soldiers
5. b) Mona Michael
6. c) 1919
7. c) Gratitude
8. c) Remembrance and gratitude for fallen soldiers
9. b) It symbolizes hope and resilience

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. John McCrae wrote the poem "In Flanders Fields".
2. The tradition of wearing red poppies on Memorial Day was inspired by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae's poem "In Flanders Fields".
3. The red poppy symbolizes courage, sacrifice, and resilience of military personnel who have risked their lives for their country.
4. Mona Michael campaigned for the adoption of the red poppy as a symbol of remembrance.
5. The red poppy evokes gratitude as an emotion.

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