

# REMEMBRANCE DAY WRITING COMPETITION

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Remembrance Day writing is when you write a narrative, poem or a letter on war and how people were affected by it. This year's winner was Essie for her poem 'Sit in Silence'. Matilda, Eva and Izaak were also shortlisted for their poems. Well done!



Sit In Silence

I sit there in silence, getting ready for the minute to start. It begins, I quickly shut my eyes, and then suddenly I have an uncomfortable feeling thinking of war.

I sit there in silence, thinking of those who lost their lives, fighting for what they thought was right.

I sit there in silence, petrified for those who were risking their lives for their country, their family, and their friends.

I sit there in silence, imagining the soldiers being surrounded by crackling burning fires. In our normal life it would be the equivalent of ambulances racing back and forth, along with fireworks going nonstop all around.

I sit there in silence, imagining laying under the cold charcoal night and only specs of cloud to be seen, imagining I'm in the dark at night alone with my fears.

I sit there in silence, imaging the bombs, the guns, the dead bodies,  
And the bruised sky, shading over.

I sit there in silence, in shock as I only now realise just how painful, numb and gruesome the war was. And how the firing guns deafened your heart.

I open my eyes, the one minute is up. I feel honoured. Grateful, and empowered by what I have.