

# Why are they here?

Soldiers killed during the First World War were often buried near the place that they fell, leaving the Western and Eastern Fronts dotted with graveyards and monuments (some small, others massive in size). Canadian and other Commonwealth graves and monuments are managed by the [Commonwealth War Graves Commission](#).

Each group will be assigned a link below that will transport you (via Google Maps) to "Great War" cemetery or monument somewhere in Europe).

Your group's challenge is to discover how those soldiers ended up buried where they are, or why a memorial exists at that specific location, presenting your findings back to the rest of the class. Some questions to answer:

- What happened at your location during the First World War?
- How would you explain the event (battle?) to someone learning about it for the first time?
  - Are there some major events that happened during this battle? (new technologies used, significant people involved, etc.)
  - What statistics can you find out (casualties, participants, etc.)
- Where did some of these soldiers come from?
- Who takes care of the graves/memorial today?

The final presentation is expected to be around 5-10 minutes, with each group beginning at the location their link takes them to.

Group One: [https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.3796428,2.7740003,3a,75y,224.4h,131.95t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-Lhp0Qou19IE%2FV3UeEyiFFWI%2FAAAAAAAAABis%2FUNQNKNMAcVAaGO\\_ZQTPME0M5KbRmQazcQCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh6.googleusercontent.com%2F-Lhp0Qou19IE%2FV3UeEyiFFWI%2FAAAAAAAAABis%2FUNQNKNMAcVAaGO\\_ZQTPME0M5KbRmQazcQCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i8704!8i4352](https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.3796428,2.7740003,3a,75y,224.4h,131.95t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-Lhp0Qou19IE%2FV3UeEyiFFWI%2FAAAAAAAAABis%2FUNQNKNMAcVAaGO_ZQTPME0M5KbRmQazcQCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh6.googleusercontent.com%2F-Lhp0Qou19IE%2FV3UeEyiFFWI%2FAAAAAAAAABis%2FUNQNKNMAcVAaGO_ZQTPME0M5KbRmQazcQCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i8704!8i4352)

Group Two: <https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.8879419,2.99947,3a,75y,108.22h,84.76t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-Z9emXphf680%2FUofp0m6r3L!%2FAAAAAAAAvtc%2FNJ8-q0jQefo7UQLUcDOUyj6k9oygoWJXw!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh6.googleusercontent.com%2F-Z9emXphf680%2FUofp0m6r3L!%2FAAAAAAAAvtc%2FNJ8-q0jQefo7UQLUcDOUyj6k9oygoWJXw%2Fw260-h100-n-k-no%2F!7i4416!8i1696>

Group Three: <https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.8996345,2.9402068,3a,75y,154.62h,85.43t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-ucjpAUXp30M%2FV75yKFzCVTI%2FAAAAAAAAUo%2Fb7JV-bMu-Q07am0HxM1Oj1r9tgqbuW6AwCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-ucjpAUXp30M%2FV75yKFzCVTI%2FAAAAAAAAUo%2Fb7JV-bMu-Q07am0HxM1Oj1r9tgqbuW6AwCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i5660!8i2830>

Group Four: [https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.0748269,2.6509408,3a,75y,90h,90t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-ohxocCHS03c%2FUg\\_oBMd4Y6I%2FAAAAAAAACMc%2FS9Uz1VSZO0oTCkoxV4ixys66K55qWBwag!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh4.googleusercontent.com%2F-ohxocCHS03c%2FUg\\_oBMd4Y6I%2FAAAAAAAACMc%2FS9Uz1VSZO0oTCkoxV4ixys66K55qWBwag%2Fw255-h100-n-k-no%2F!7i4292!8i1681](https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.0748269,2.6509408,3a,75y,90h,90t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-ohxocCHS03c%2FUg_oBMd4Y6I%2FAAAAAAAACMc%2FS9Uz1VSZO0oTCkoxV4ixys66K55qWBwag!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh4.googleusercontent.com%2F-ohxocCHS03c%2FUg_oBMd4Y6I%2FAAAAAAAACMc%2FS9Uz1VSZO0oTCkoxV4ixys66K55qWBwag%2Fw255-h100-n-k-no%2F!7i4292!8i1681)

Group Five:

[https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Fricourt+German+Military+Cemetery/@50.0043704,2.7151364,3a,75y,32.39h,89.49t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-WOMB7IloJrw%2FVUpY\\_cOj9DI%2FAAAAAAAAUq%2FnTeM36Bxxd4yZS2ZwndlJWpfi8V5eXaQqCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2flh5.googleusercontent.com%2F-WOMB7IloJrw%2FVUpY\\_cOj9DI%2FAAAAAAAAUq%2FnTeM36Bxxd4yZS2ZwndlJWpfi8V5eXaQqCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i10240!8i5120!4m5!3m4!1s0x47dd5868e2e51a97:0x252e83b839deb19a!8m2!3d50.0044151!4d2.7150074](https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Fricourt+German+Military+Cemetery/@50.0043704,2.7151364,3a,75y,32.39h,89.49t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-WOMB7IloJrw%2FVUpY_cOj9DI%2FAAAAAAAAUq%2FnTeM36Bxxd4yZS2ZwndlJWpfi8V5eXaQqCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh5.googleusercontent.com%2F-WOMB7IloJrw%2FVUpY_cOj9DI%2FAAAAAAAAUq%2FnTeM36Bxxd4yZS2ZwndlJWpfi8V5eXaQqCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i10240!8i5120!4m5!3m4!1s0x47dd5868e2e51a97:0x252e83b839deb19a!8m2!3d50.0044151!4d2.7150074)

Group Six: [https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.8717242,2.8730053,3a,75y,7.54h,76.63t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-WOKkDyAwb6Y%2FV78MJ1o3yk!2FAAAAAAAAUXk%2FS8U6WE8i8YcnU5XmiQayi1\\_A0UILhde\\_QCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-WOKkDyAwb6Y%2FV78MJ1o3yk!2FAAAAAAAAUXk%2FS8U6WE8i8YcnU5XmiQayi1\\_A0UILhde\\_QCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i5660!8i2830](https://www.google.ca/maps/@50.8717242,2.8730053,3a,75y,7.54h,76.63t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-WOKkDyAwb6Y%2FV78MJ1o3yk!2FAAAAAAAAUXk%2FS8U6WE8i8YcnU5XmiQayi1_A0UILhde_QCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-WOKkDyAwb6Y%2FV78MJ1o3yk!2FAAAAAAAAUXk%2FS8U6WE8i8YcnU5XmiQayi1_A0UILhde_QCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i5660!8i2830)

Group Seven:

[https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Gmina+%C5%81u%C5%BCna,+Poland/@49.7180465,21.0635644,3a,75y,234h,101.86t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-SkfL8LnTlrM%2FV1R3\\_xn24UI%2FAAAAAAAAHYQ%2Fvx4IPWSfQkEeZyge9hh1P2ENjrO6AuPbACLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-SkfL8LnTlrM%2FV1R3\\_xn24UI%2FAAAAAAAAHYQ%2Fvx4IPWSfQkEeZyge9hh1P2ENjrO6AuPbACLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i8704!8i4352!4m5!3m4!1s0x473dc1ad038d9bbd:0x501ba60633264de3!8m2!3d49.6907968!4d21.051741](https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Gmina+%C5%81u%C5%BCna,+Poland/@49.7180465,21.0635644,3a,75y,234h,101.86t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-SkfL8LnTlrM%2FV1R3_xn24UI%2FAAAAAAAAHYQ%2Fvx4IPWSfQkEeZyge9hh1P2ENjrO6AuPbACLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-SkfL8LnTlrM%2FV1R3_xn24UI%2FAAAAAAAAHYQ%2Fvx4IPWSfQkEeZyge9hh1P2ENjrO6AuPbACLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i8704!8i4352!4m5!3m4!1s0x473dc1ad038d9bbd:0x501ba60633264de3!8m2!3d49.6907968!4d21.051741)

Group Eight:

[https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Anzac+Cove/@40.2390945,26.2769792,3a,75y,96.14h,86.97t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-NlfpLTum8xdhGt4L30\\_w!2e0!6s%2F%2Fgeo0.ggpht.com%2Fcwk%3Fpanoid%3DTXNlfpLTum8xdhGt4L30\\_w%26output%3Dthumbnail%26cb\\_client%3Dmaps\\_sv.tactile.gps%26thumb%3D2%26w%3D203%26h%3D100%26yaw%3D110.92%26pitch%3D-5.65!7i13312!8i6656!4m8!1m2!2m1!1scemetery+near+Gallipoli,+Gelibolu%2F%C3%87anakkale,+Turkey!3m4!1s0x14b1a57618c079bf:0x6c7f0699b8fb7795!8m2!3d40.2390941!4d26.2770666](https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Anzac+Cove/@40.2390945,26.2769792,3a,75y,96.14h,86.97t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-NlfpLTum8xdhGt4L30_w!2e0!6s%2F%2Fgeo0.ggpht.com%2Fcwk%3Fpanoid%3DTXNlfpLTum8xdhGt4L30_w%26output%3Dthumbnail%26cb_client%3Dmaps_sv.tactile.gps%26thumb%3D2%26w%3D203%26h%3D100%26yaw%3D110.92%26pitch%3D-5.65!7i13312!8i6656!4m8!1m2!2m1!1scemetery+near+Gallipoli,+Gelibolu%2F%C3%87anakkale,+Turkey!3m4!1s0x14b1a57618c079bf:0x6c7f0699b8fb7795!8m2!3d40.2390941!4d26.2770666)

Group Nine:

[https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Beersheba+War+Cemetery/@31.2437966,34.7835852,3a,75y,210.6h,93.97t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-Xti4R36OwVE%2FVG9YQQIz8n!2FAAAAAAACv0Q%2FZQeq7Pe1MSgh2AXFukNaK1twBgX6tT70gCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-Xti4R36OwVE%2FVG9YQQIz8n!2FAAAAAAACv0Q%2FZQeq7Pe1MSgh2AXFukNaK1twBgX6tT70gCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i8704!8i4352!4m5!3m4!1s0x1502660e0d71e907:0x353362907c4df0a0!8m2!3d31.244109!4d34.7838786](https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Beersheba+War+Cemetery/@31.2437966,34.7835852,3a,75y,210.6h,93.97t/data=!3m8!1e1!3m6!1s-Xti4R36OwVE%2FVG9YQQIz8n!2FAAAAAAACv0Q%2FZQeq7Pe1MSgh2AXFukNaK1twBgX6tT70gCLIB!2e4!3e11!6s%2F%2Flh3.googleusercontent.com%2F-Xti4R36OwVE%2FVG9YQQIz8n!2FAAAAAAACv0Q%2FZQeq7Pe1MSgh2AXFukNaK1twBgX6tT70gCLIB%2Fw203-h101-n-k-no%2F!7i8704!8i4352!4m5!3m4!1s0x1502660e0d71e907:0x353362907c4df0a0!8m2!3d31.244109!4d34.7838786)