

"In Flanders Fields the poppies blow, between the crosses, row on row." That is part of a familiar poem "In Flanders Fields". The poem recognizes the people who went to war. That is what Remembrance Day is about. This essay is about Remembrance Day, how it started how we recognize it, and some other notable facts.

Remembrance Day is a memorial day observed since the first world war. Remembrance day was started by King George the 5th. It is observed by the Commonwealth of Nations, which includes Canada.

The common Canadian tradition to recognize Remembrance Day includes a one to two minute moment of silence at the eleventh hour, of the eleventh day, of the eleventh month. That marks the time when the fighting formally ended, and the armistice became effective. Our school also attends a Remembrance Day service at our local Legion.

Remembrance Day is a statutory holiday in Canada with the exceptions of Manitoba, Ontario, Nova Scotia, and Quebec.

One of the notable facts is that Remembrance Day is also known as "Poppy Day" and "Armistice Day". Another notable fact is that the poppy is a familiar emblem of Remembrance Day because of the poem "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae.

To me Remembrance Day is not just to remember those who died in war, but to remember everyone who served in the nations defense to secure freedom in Canada.