

“Never Forget”  
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War is a time to remember. We remember the rough times, the horrifying environments, the purpose and cause, but most of all we remember the soldiers. For Canadians our time to pause and reflect is Remembrance Day. We are called to give thanks and honour the Soldiers who fought for our country in the wars of the past and those battles being fought in the present.

So what can we do to show soldiers we care? Traditionally, everyone wears a poppy to symbolize their respect to all the soldiers who died in battles fighting for our country and promise of democracy in others. We also give donations to organizations that help support the troops. So as high school students what can we do to show the soldiers that what they do is important and it matters? We have written them letters through our schools wishing them the best of luck and happy holidays, but can we help them outside of our school without the influence of our teachers and parents? We should want to and be willing to help them in any way that we can. Whether, it is writing to soldiers of today, or visiting the older veterans, a basic point of action is to pause at 11:11am on November 11. Put your life to a halt and remember the true heroes of our country and give thanks to them.

Along with wearing poppies and donating money, the most important thing is to believe in what you are supporting. Participate because you care.

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