

ACTIVITY 1: VENN DIAGRAM (ORANGE CARDS)

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'We must remember, though, that true patriotism cannot be forced or legislated with a mere set of government programs. Instead, it must reside in the hearts of our people.'

Barack Obama, 2008

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'6,845 Americans Died and 900,000 Were Injured in Iraq and Afghanistan. Say "No" to Obama's War.'

H.A. Goodman

The Huffington Post, 2015

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'Praise the power that hath made and preserved us a nation! Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."'

Excerpt from the American national anthem

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Support for one's country.

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Loyalty to one's country.

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The belief that war and violence are unjustifiable.

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Love of peace.

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Religion

The word 'pacifism' is derived from the word 'pacific', which means 'peace making'.

Support for values of freedom and democracy.

Support for one's fellow man and woman.

ACTIVITY 1: VENN DIAGRAM (BLUE CARDS)

<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-22</p> <p>'Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high.'</p> <p><i>In Flanders Fields</i> John McCrae May 1915</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-23</p> <p>'Bent double, like old beggars under sacks, Knock-kneed, coughing like hags, we cursed through sludge . . .'</p> <p><i>Dulce et Decorum est</i> Wilfred Owen 1917–1918</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-24</p> <p>'If I should die, think only this of me: That there's some corner of a foreign field That is for ever England.'</p> <p><i>The Soldier</i> Rupert Brooke 1914</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-25</p> <p>'The soldier chucked his rifle in the dust, And slipped his pack, and wiped his neck, and said – "O Christ Almighty, stop this bleeding fight!"'</p> <p><i>Christ and the Soldier</i> Siegfried Sassoon 1916</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-26</p> <p>'When can their glory fade? O the wild charge they made! All the world wondered. Honour the charge they made!'</p> <p><i>The Charge of the Light Brigade</i> Alfred Lord Tennyson 1854</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-27</p> <p>"Have you news of my boy Jack?" Not this tide. "When d'you think that he'll come back?" Not with this wind blowing, and this tide.'</p> <p><i>My Boy Jack</i> Rudyard Kipling 1915</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-28</p> <p>'They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.'</p> <p><i>For the Fallen</i> Robert Laurence Binyon 1914</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-29</p> <p>'O Captain! my Captain! our fearful trip is done, The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won . . .'</p> <p><i>O Captain My Captain!</i> Walt Whitman 1865</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 1-30</p> <p>'Yes; quaint and curious war is! You shoot a fellow down You'd treat, if met where any bar is, Or help to half a crown.'</p> <p><i>The Man He Killed</i> Thomas Hardy 1902</p>

ACTIVITY 2: MYSTERY

<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-1</p> <p>'What passing-bells for these who die as cattle? Only the monstrous anger of the guns.'</p> <p><i>Anthem for Doomed Youth</i> 1917</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-2</p> <p>He became an assistant to the vicar of Dunsden, near Reading, 1911–1913.</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-3</p> <p>On 3 October 1918 Owen was awarded the Military Cross for 'conspicuous gallantry'.</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-4</p> <p>'I, too, saw God through mud –'</p> <p><i>Apologia Pro Poemate Meo</i> 1917</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-5</p> <p>'My friend, you would not tell with such high zest To children ardent for some desperate glory, The old Lie: Dulce et decorum est, Pro patria mori.'</p> <p><i>Dulce et Decorum est</i> 1918</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-6</p> <p>'I came out in order to help these boys – directly by leading them as well as an officer can . . .'</p> <p>Letter to his mother about returning to the front line. 1918</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-7</p> <p>'I hate washy pacifists . . . Therefore I feel that I must first get some reputation for gallantry before I could successfully and usefully declare my principles.'</p> <p>Letter to his mother. October 1917</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-8</p> <p>'He sat in a wheeled chair, waiting for dark, And shivered in his ghastly suit of grey, Legless, sewn short at elbow.'</p> <p><i>Disabled</i> Wilfred Owen 1917</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-9</p> <p>Wilfred Edward Salter Owen was born on 18 March 1893, in Oswestry, on the Welsh border of Shropshire.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-10</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘I am certain you could not be visited by a band of friends half so fine as surround us here.’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Letter to his mother, Susan Owen. 1918</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-11</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘The Doctor suddenly was moved to forbid me to go into action. I’m being sent to Craiglockhart hospital in Scotland.’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Letter to his mother, Susan Owen. 1917</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-12</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘Our brains ache, in the merciless iced east winds that knife us . . . Wearied we keep awake because the night is silent . . .’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Exposure 1917</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-13</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘War brought more glory to their eyes than blood . . .’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Apologia Pro Poemate Meo 1917</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-13</p> <p style="text-align: center;">In November 1918 he was killed in action at the age of 25, one week before the Armistice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-14</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘I am the enemy you killed, my friend. I knew you in this dark: for so you frowned Yesterday through me as you jabbed and killed.’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Strange Meeting 1918</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘I know I shall be killed. But it’s the only place I can make my protest from.’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Letter to his brother. 1918</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-16</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘Always they must see these things and hear them, Batter of guns and shatter of flying muscles, Carnage incomparable, and human squander . . .’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mental Cases 1918</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-17</p> <p style="text-align: center;">‘If you could hear, at every jolt, the blood Come gargling from the froth-corrupted lungs, Obscene as cancer . . .’</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dulce et Decorum est 1918</p>

<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-18</p> <p>'Sudden successive flights of bullets streak the silence. Less deadly than the air that shudders black with snow . . .'</p> <p><i>Exposure</i> 1917</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-19</p> <p>'Father would sooner him dead than in disgrace, — Was proud to see him going, aye, and glad.'</p> <p><i>S.I.W. [self-inflicted wound] 1917</i></p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-20</p> <p>'Courage leaked, as sand From the best sand-bags after years of rain.'</p> <p><i>S.I.W. [self-inflicted wound] 1917</i></p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-21</p> <p>'We dredged him up, for killed, until he whined "O sir, my eyes — I'm blind — I'm blind, I'm blind!"'</p> <p><i>The Sentry</i> 1917–1918</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-22</p> <p>'I am more and more a Christian . . . Be bullied, be outraged, be killed: but do not kill.'</p> <p><i>Letter to his mother.</i> 1917</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-23</p> <p>'I lost all my earthly faculties, and I fought like an angel . . . I captured a German Machine Gun and scores of prisoners.'</p> <p><i>Letter to his mother.</i> 1918</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-24</p> <p>'I scrambled out myself and felt an exhilaration in baffling the Machine Guns by quick bounds from cover to cover.'</p> <p><i>Letter to his mother.</i> 1918</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-25</p> <p>'All a poet can do today is warn. That is why the true poet must be truthful.'</p> <p><i>Unfinished preface for his book of poetry.</i> 1918</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-26</p> <p>'Through the dense din, I say, we heard him shout 'I see your lights!' But ours had long died out.'</p> <p><i>The Sentry</i> 1917–1918</p>

<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-27</p> <p>'Sit on the bed; I'm blind, and three parts shell. Be careful; can't shake hands now; never shall. Both arms have mutinied against me, – brutes.'</p> <p><i>A Terre (Being the Philosophy of Many Soldiers.)</i></p> <p>1919</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-28</p> <p>'But where the lamb for this burnt-offering? Then Abram bound the youth with belts and straps, and builded parapets and trenches there, And stretchèd forth the knife to slay his son.'</p> <p><i>Parable of the Old Man and the Young</i></p> <p>1918</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-29</p> <p>'This book is not about heroes. English Poetry is not yet fit to speak of them. Nor is it about deeds or lands, nor anything about glory, honour, might, majesty, dominion or power, except War.'</p> <p>Unfinished preface for his book of poetry</p> <p>1918</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-30</p> <p>Patriotism (noun): The quality of being patriotic; vigorous support for one's country. 'A highly decorated officer of unquestionable integrity and patriotism.'</p> <p><i>Oxford English Dictionary</i></p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-31</p> <p>Pacifism (noun): The belief that war and violence are unjustifiable and that all disputes should be settled by peaceful means.</p> <p><i>Oxford English Dictionary</i></p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-32</p> <p>'I thought of all that worked dark pits Of war, and died Digging the rock where Death reputes Peace lies indeed.'</p> <p><i>Miners</i></p> <p>1918</p>
<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-33</p> <p>In 1918, Owen voluntarily went back to fight in the war.</p>	<p>LESSON 15 Was Wilfred Owen a Patriot or a Pacifist? 2-34</p> <p>'I am not only a pacifist but a militant pacifist. I am willing to fight for peace. Nothing will end war unless the people themselves refuse to go to war.'</p> <p>Albert Einstein (1879–1955)</p>	