

Introduction

Photographs are a rich source of information about the past. Your students today will act like historians to analyze selected photographs – to peer into the past through the visual details.



Scavenger Hunt

Each student will receive a picture from a different part of the exhibit. There are two images from each panel, so students can be put into pairs accordingly.

Activity

Students **Predict** what they think is happening in their pictures. Each image has some predictive prompts.

With their partners, they find and **Go See** the panel with their pictures on it. Together they read the caption and look at the whole picture.

They discuss the reflective prompts on their cards, **Share** what they learned, then they can discuss the bigger question which is tied to one of the historical thinking concepts explained at right.

What's the Big Idea?

At the end of all the learning, you will try to answer this question based on what you've learned.

What will you do to remember?

What is Historical Thinking?

The historical thinking concepts are ways that historians think about the past. Each panel and image has some questions tied to a concept. More information and resources about the concepts can be found at historicalthinking.ca.



Historical Significance

- Why was the Vimy memorial so important to so many people? (Panel 4)

Cause and Consequence

- What effects did the First World War have on Canadian soldiers? (Panel 1)
- What were the good things about coming home? (Panel 3)
- What were the challenges of coming home? (Panel 3)

The Ethical Dimension

- What makes these men worth remembering? (Panel 8)
- Why did Canadians go back to Vimy Ridge and Juno Beach during the Second World War? (Panel 9)
- What's so special about the Juno Beach Centre? (Panel 10)

Primary Source Evidence

- What emotions are these men feeling? Why? (Panel 2)

Change and Continuity

- What was the same about the new war? (Panel 5)
- What was different this time? (Panel 5)

Historical Perspectives

- What was it like on the battlefield? (Panel 1)
- What was it like to fight at Vimy Ridge? (Panel 2)
- What was it like to fight in Italy and the Netherlands in WWII? (Panel 6)
- What was it like to fight at Juno Beach? (Panel 7)