



# World War I

## The Anzac Legend

### Commemorating the ANZACs: Part I

This video introduces you to the idea of perspectives in history. A lot of what you will hear in this video is the personal opinion of the person speaking. It is an important skill in your study of history to be able to identify the difference between opinion and fact. Your work with this video will give you the opportunity to develop perhaps the most important skill in history: being able to examine facts and perspectives, before coming to your own conclusion supported by evidence.

#### Thinking Critically

*I mean, it was a great tragedy, and I think we forget that sometimes. I think sometimes Gallipoli is portrayed as some sort of victory for Australia. Well, it certainly wasn't. I mean, the Australians were involved in a ten-month stalemate. In the end they ended up retreating. This was a British loss. It was a big loss of Australian lives too: eight-and-a-half thousand Australians died there. But in the scheme of things, it was at the beginning of the war, and there are another four years to follow, and many more Australians died in other places. There were bigger tragedies.*

– Paul Daley, author and journalist

1. Explain what point Daley is making here.

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2. In the table below, list some reasons for and against the Gallipoli campaign being commemorated by Anzac Day.

For	Against





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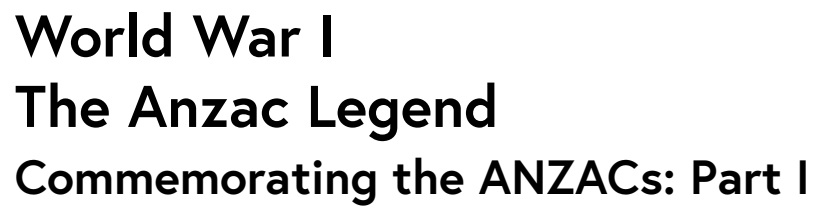
#### Comparing Gallipoli and Fromelles

Paul Daley talks about 'bigger tragedies' than Gallipoli for Australia. Your task is to compare Gallipoli with another significant battle Australia was involved in during WWI: the Battle of Fromelles.

1. Research Australia's involvement in both campaigns and compare the experience of the Australian soldiers. Some questions have been provided as a guide; use these as a starting point for your research and come up with some questions of your own as well.

	...in Gallipoli?	...in Fromelles?
What kinds of tactics were used...		
What was the quality of the leadership...		
What were the Australian casualties...		





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