



World War I

The Anzac Legend

Comprehension Questions

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.

View the programme attentively. As you watch, complete the following comprehension questions and tasks.

1. Where is it generally thought that the Anzac legend was born?

2. Why were Australians so pleased with Ashmead Bartlett's account of the ANZACs landing on Gallipoli?
 - a) It was the first news they had received.
 - b) His descriptions were important because there were no photos.
 - c) He was an Australian who understood what the soldiers were doing.
 - d) His account was regarded as recognition of British approval of Australia's performance.
3. What does Paul Daley regard as significant about the first Australian troops landing at Gallipoli, with regards to Federation?

4. Paul Daley suggests that which group in particular seized upon the Gallipoli campaign as a national moment?
 - a) Australian soldiers
 - b) Australian politicians
 - c) British press
 - d) Australian press





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5. What is the date of Anzac Day?
- a) 26 January
 - b) 25 April
 - c) 12 June
 - d) 11 November
6. In which year was Anzac Day first commemorated?
- a) 1914
 - b) 1915
 - c) 1916
 - d) 1917
7. The way in which Anzac Day is commemorated in Australia has changed over time.
- True False
8. Which film or TV show is recognised as making Gallipoli and the commemoration of the ANZACs more popular again?
- a) 'Gallipoli' (Weir 1981)
 - b) 'The Anzacs' (Ament, Dixon and Miller 1985)
 - c) 'The Water Diviner' (Crowe 2014)
 - d) 'The Light Horse' (Wincer 1987)
9. 'For me, the Anzac spirit is really a set of values... those values included things like _____, teamwork or _____, friendship, _____, initiative or _____ and pragmatism.' – Lucy Saaroni, Captain, HQ 4 Brigade
10. Which of the following is a socially progressive initiative that Australia had adopted before WWI?
- a) White Australia Policy and conscription
 - b) Indigenous rights and open immigration policy
 - c) Free land for farming and the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Scheme
 - d) Women's suffrage and workers' rights

