WORKSHEET

Visit to the German military cemetery of Langemark

IN FLANDERS FIELDS MUSEUM

In Langemark you will find a cemetery for German soldiers. It is different to the British cemeteries. There are no flowers or white headstones that light up in the sun, but tall trees and flat tiles engraved with so many names…

1 How would you describe the atmosphere in this German cemetery? Choose adjectives from the list below.

Pleasant - colourful - proud - cheerful - attractive - serene - oppressive - sad - depressing - touching - inspiring - threatening - cheerless - dark - scary.

If you cannot find the words you're looking for in the list, write them down below:

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2 In the middle of the cemetery is a raised field planted with grass. Around the field are large stones engraved with the names of thousands of German soldiers. This is no ordinary field - it is a mass grave. How many young men are buried here? (To find the answer, look for the bronze plaque near the mass grave).

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3 Stand in front of a grave and write down all the information you can find about one soldier. What strikes you in comparison to the heastones in the British military cemetery?

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4 Next to the mass grave, there are bronze statues created by Emil Krieger. What did the German artist want to say with this group of sculptures?

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