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Have you heard about the First World War? It is also known as the Great War or World War 1, and it happened about 100 years ago, between 1914 and 1918. It was a terrible war where millions of people died in fighting around the world.

Although the Bible was written a long time ago, it can help us understand things like the First World War and our lives today. This is because human nature never changes. What people are like does not really change from one century to the next. The Bible tells us that, since Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, everyone has pride in their hearts. Sometimes this results in war.

In this book, you will find pictures to colour which are about the First World War, together with some interesting facts and something to think about from the Bible.



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# Sketches...

# THE FIRST WORLD WAR

Colouring Book

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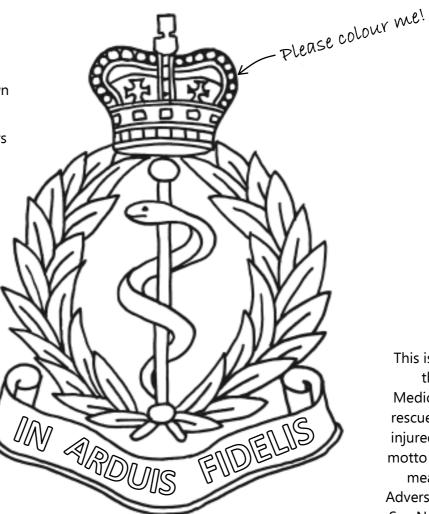
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Crown: yellow

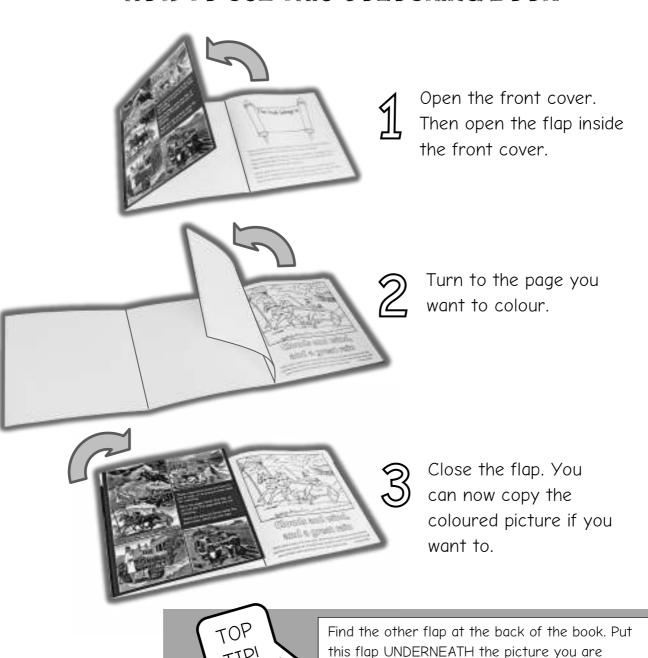
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Banner: red Pole: grey

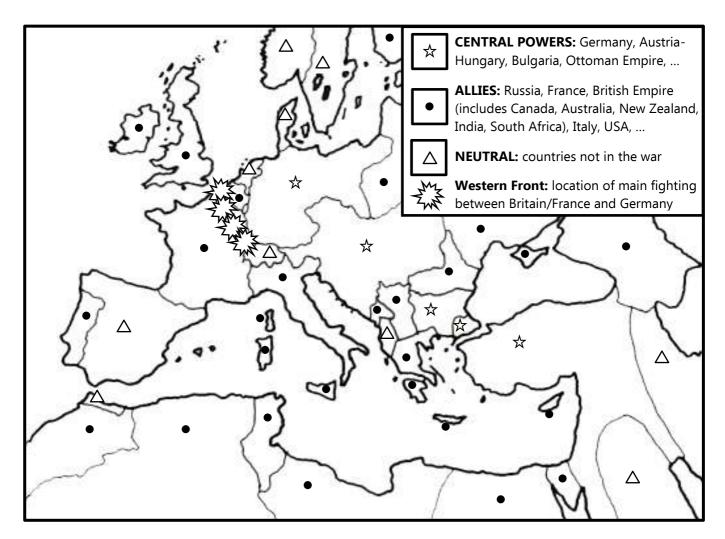


This is the badge of the Royal Army Medical Corps, who rescued and treated injured soldiers. The motto is in Latin and means 'Faithful in Adversity' (difficulty). See Numbers 21:4-9 for the story behind the snake on a pole.

### **HOW TO USE THIS COLOURING BOOK**



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## Map of Europe showing countries at war

Before the War, some of the countries in Europe had empires, that is, they ruled other lands around the world. Some countries also became 'allies' (friends) and said they would help each other in time of war. Because of this, when war broke out, it did not take long before much of the world was at war (the USA joined the war in 1917).

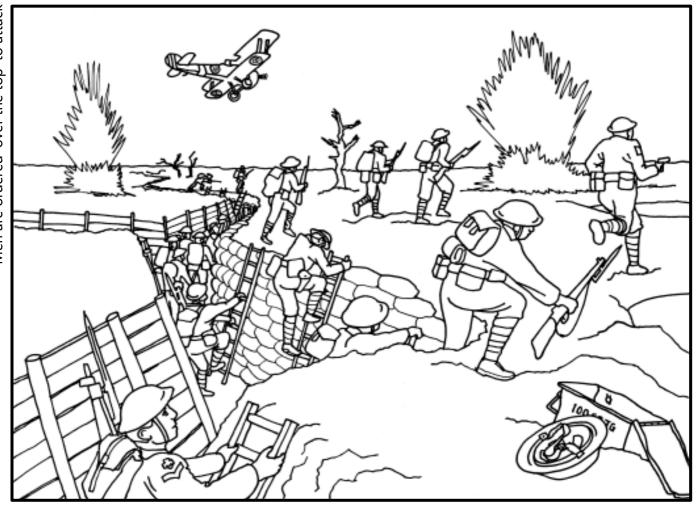
What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? (Matthew 16:26)



#### INTELLIGENCE

Many men were forced to join the military to help the war. This was called being a conscript. Men who were told to join the King's army had to obey whether they liked it or not. When men, women, boys and girls hear about the King of Kings' message of salvation in Jesus, they don't want to listen because they are dead in sin. The Bible tells us that God's power and love are so great that the people he calls shall be made willing. The Holy Spirit makes Jesus so precious, they are drawn to him in love.

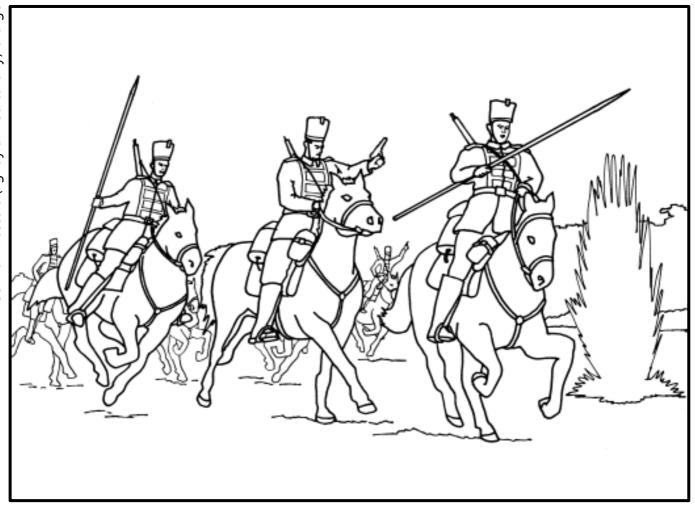
Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power. (Psalm 110:3) Breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. (Ezekiel 37:10)



## INTELLIGENCE

The expression 'over the top' comes from this war, when men had to climb out of their trenches to attack. Soldiers had to go 'over the top' from their trenches into no-man's-land, into machine-gun fire. This was a terrible ordeal and many were killed straight away. The Bible tells us that, for those believers who went 'over the top' and were killed, death could not keep them from God's love.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, ... or peril, or sword? ... Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. (Romans 8:35, 37)



#### INTELLIGENCE

The British used over one million horses and mules. They had 19,000 men just to get the horses ready for war. Horses played a big role in this war, as they have done in many wars down through the ages. God told Job that he had made horses to be strong and brave, because he wanted Job to remember that he, as the Creator, is all powerful and all wise. If God's creatures are much stronger than we are, how much more powerful must God be! Because God is all powerful, his people can feel safe.

Hast thou [Job] given the horse strength? ... Canst thou make him afraid? ... He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in his strength: he goeth on to meet the armed men. He ... is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword. (Job 39:19-22)