



World War I Memorial

Welcome to the *World War I Memorial* in Washington D.C.

Read the following information about World War I and the World War I Memorial.

The words that are in **bold** will help you answer questions from the Civics part of the Naturalization Test.

The words that are underlined are vocabulary words from the Reading and Writing parts of the Naturalization Test.

Civics Test Questions are highlighted for quick reference.





World War I

World War I is one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.

78. Name one war fought by the United States in the 1900s.

The U.S. fought in World War I from 1917 – 1918.

World War I began in Europe in 1914, and it officially ended in 1919.

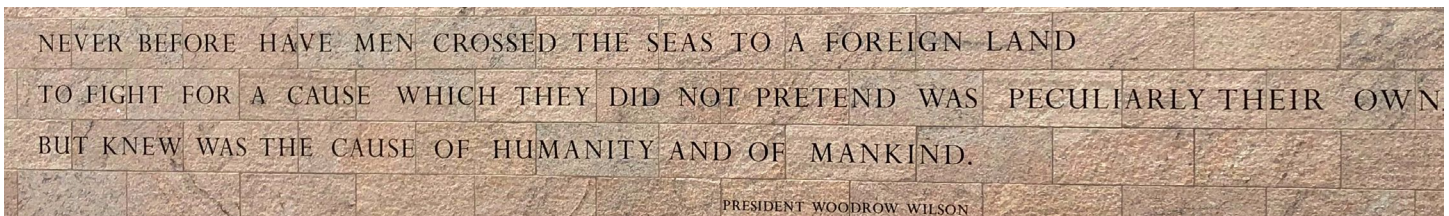
Fighting in World War I ended on November 11, 1918.

4.7 million Americans served in World War I, and 116,516 Americans died in World War I.

President Woodrow Wilson

Woodrow Wilson was president during World War I.

79. Who was President during World War I?



Woodrow Wilson was the 28th President of the United States. He served from 1913 – 1921.

Veterans Day

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson made November 11th a holiday to honor those who served in the U.S. military during World War I.

Many years later, November 11 became known as Veterans Day.

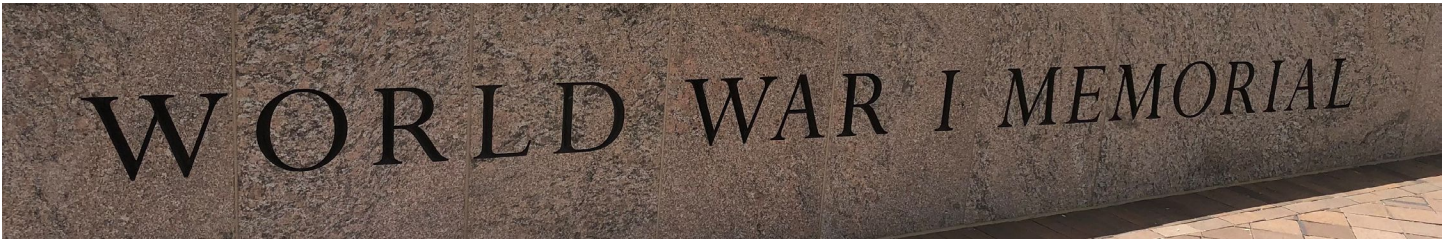
Today, **Veterans Day is a national U.S. holiday** when we honor American veterans of all wars.

Another **national U.S. holiday is Memorial Day**. It honors people who died while serving the U.S. during a war. We celebrate Memorial Day on the last Monday in May each year.

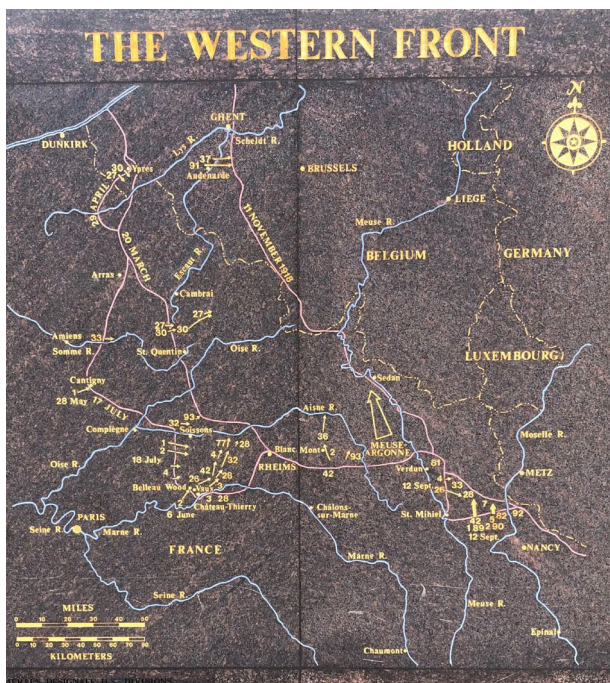


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The World War I Memorial opened in 2021. It is located near the White House Visitor Center.



The World War I Memorial includes maps that show where the United States fought. It also includes engravings that explain what happened during World War I.



ON 6 APRIL 1917, THE UNITED STATES ENTERED WORLD WAR I. WITH FEW REGULAR FORCES THE TASK OF TRAINING AND TRANSPORTING AN EFFECTIVE ARMY TO FIGHT IN FRANCE WAS FORMIDABLE. THE U.S. NAVY, ACTING SWIFTLY TO COMBAT THE GERMAN SUBMARINE MENACE, DISPATCHED FIGHTING SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT TO EUROPEAN WATERS. SIMULTANEOUSLY IT BEGAN THE ORGANIZATION OF CONVOYS FOR HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF TROOPS. TO UNDERTAKE THE TREMENDOUS WORK OF ORGANIZING THE AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES, GENERAL PERSHING LANDED IN FRANCE ON 13 JUNE 1917.

BEGINNING ON 21 MARCH 1918, THE GERMAN ARMIES LAUNCHED A SERIES OF POWERFUL ATTACKS ON THE WESTERN FRONT. ON THAT DATE, THERE WERE ONLY 300,000 AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN FRANCE, MOST OF THEM BUT PARTIALLY TRAINED. THE FIRST OFFENSIVE ACTION BY A U.S. DIVISION CAME ON 28 MAY WHEN CANTIGNY WAS ATTACKED AND HELD DESPITE VIOLENT ENEMY REACTION.

SIMULTANEOUSLY, THE GERMANS SURGED ACROSS THE AISNE RIVER AND ADVANCED RAPIDLY TOWARD THE MARNE. U.S. REINFORCEMENTS, HURRIEDLY BROUGHT INTO POSITIONS DIRECTLY ACROSS THE GERMAN PATH OF ADVANCE TOWARD PARIS, STOPPED THE ATTACK. THEN, ON 6 JUNE U.S. TROOPS, INCLUDING A BRIGADE OF MARINES, STRUCK BACK AND IN FIERCE COMBAT LASTING A MONTH, RECAPTURED BELLEAU WOOD AND THE TOWN OF VALUX. THE LAST GREAT GERMAN OFFENSIVE OF THE WAR CAME ON 15 JULY ALONG THE MARNE EAST OF CHATEAU-THIERRY. IT WAS PROMPTLY REPULSED IN A SEVERE STRUGGLE IN WHICH AMERICAN TROOPS PLAYED A LEADING PART. THE IMMEDIATE U.S.-FRENCH COUNTERATTACK ON 18 JULY AT SOISSONS, MARKED THE TURNING POINT OF THE WAR.



Vocabulary for the Reading and Writing Parts of the Naturalization Test

The table below contains the underlined words from the information you just read about the Constitution and the Constitution Gardens. They are some of the vocabulary words for the Reading and Writing parts of the Naturalization Test.

| Vocabulary for the Reading Test | Vocabulary for Both the Reading and Writing Test | Vocabulary for the Writing Test |
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| Many U.S. | Memorial Day One People President United States White House | May |

To see a full list of the 100 questions on the Naturalization Civics Test, and a full list of the vocabulary on the Reading and Writing Test, please visit the USCIS Citizenship Resource Center: www.uscis.gov/citizenship.