

## Need Help with Materials?

**Bradford WW1 Group is very happy to help.**

The sense of it being a truly Global War has been central to the WW1 Group's work throughout the 100th Anniversary. We have devised approaches which schools and community groups are welcome to adapt to their particular circumstances - free of charge.

Bradford men and women served side-by-side with soldiers, airmen, sailors, labourers and medical staff from all parts of the world, pretty much reflecting the diversity of our city today.

Exploring these links helps give a voice to people from all backgrounds who could be involved with your project.

**We are based in central Bradford. Please email to arrange a meeting, visit or telephone conversation. We have lots of displays and teaching materials which we are pleased to share.**

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### Look Local

The WW1 Group helped primary school pupils working in small groups to investigate each of the soldier's headstones in an old graveyard near the school.

At a simple remembrance ceremony, hand-made poppies were placed on each grave whilst each group in turn read out the information they had discovered about the man and his family.

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### On the Same Day

In May 2017 we devised an exhibition for a community in Bradford which began with the simple task of discovering names and addresses of local men who died in WW1.

By using the Commonwealth War Graves website we could then identify names and addresses of soldiers from other countries in the world who died on the same day.

Children from the local primary school loved finding who lived on their street and then to see the names of villages and districts in the sub-continent which are familiar to their wider family.

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### Borrow our Display Panels

We have twenty three professionally designed pull-up displays which tell the story of Bradford men and women engaged in war service.

They are based on reports from local Bradford newspapers and reveal an enormous range of global links.

A selected group of panels can provide a fantastic focus for discussion over a tea break or we can provide a speaker to draw out the stories.

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### Developing Your Approach

If you know what would work for your group and simply need help with research, artefacts or display materials, please get in touch.

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### Did you know?

The average age of Bradford men who died during the Battle of the Somme was over 25. These were not 'young lads' as is often claimed. They were shop keepers, spinners, weavers and dyers in the wool trade, clerks, market traders, solicitors, teachers, policemen, tram drivers: the backbone of the Bradford economy. What was the impact on their families and the Bradford workforce?