



Anzac Day

Cost of War

Name: _____

There are many statistics available about aspects of World War I. Sometimes we read statistics and don't really think about what they actually mean.

Calculate the answers to the following questions and see if it makes you think differently about war. You may use a calculator to help you.

1. In 1914, 416,809 men enlisted to fight for Australia in World War I. This is enough people to fill the Melbourne Cricket Ground four times over. 152,000 were injured and about 60,000 were killed.
 - a) What percentage of soldiers were injured (rounded to the nearest whole number)?

 - b) What percentage of soldiers were killed (rounded to the nearest whole number)?

2. Australian soldiers spent eight months in Gallipoli and suffered 25,000 casualties, including 8,700 deaths.
 - a) Approximately how many days did the soldiers spend in Gallipoli (you can assume there are 30 days in each month)?

 - b) If 8,700 people died, how many is that each day (on average)?

3. Simpson and his donkey rescued around 300 soldiers in only 24 days at Gallipoli. This was an amazing effort.
 - a) How many soldiers is this each day (on average and rounded down to nearest whole number)?

 - b) If Simpson and his donkey had continued to rescue this many soldiers for 30 days, how many would have been rescued?
