



1914-1918: Marines in World War I

Gallery Worksheet

SOL correlation: USII. 5; VAUS.9

ANSWER KEY

Important teacher note- be sure to have students wait for each movie to begin. The exhibit is timed and begins with the newsboy and an overview of the beginning of the war.

Start at the newsstand to hear the headlines from France. *While you wait for the movie to begin, be sure to check out the WWI uniform and gear located on the cart.*

1. Select one headline that offers a reason for the US going to war.
Answers will vary but can include- the sinking of the Lusitania, Unrestricted Submarine Warfare, Zimmermann Telegram
2. Move to the next room and watch the movie that explains the battle of Belleau Wood, why was this location important to occupy? *it is located along the road to Paris*
3. Describe the battle in terms of what the Americans did and who the Marines were fighting. (*Answers can include German machine guns, open field to cross, high casualties*)
4. When the movie finished, move to the next part of the exhibit, stand looking over the German machine guns. Watch the Americans attack from the German perspective. *What do you see, hear, and smell? (the students will experience the attack through the movie but also puffs of air and the smell of cordite –gunpowder- will enhance the experience.)*
5. The newspaper correspondent needs a headline about the Marine action at Belleau Wood- write your idea here:

Answers will vary but should reflect the attributes of the battle they learned from the exhibit.

Weapons of WWI

6. As you walk through the gallery identify weapons that were new and any that catch your eye. List or sketch them here: *Answers will vary*
7. An **Oral History Station** is guarded by an armed Marine who has just donned his gas mask; listen to Marines and corpsmen describe the battle they just lived through. Write some key terms or phrases to help you remember what they lived. *Answers will vary. This is a good post visit discussion item*
8. **Enter the Trench**- and peer through the periscope. What do you see?
What was it like to be assigned to fight in a trench?

Answer will include difficulties associated battle (use of rolling barrage to enter no man's land) and hardships of being in a trench

Vehicles of WWI

1. Tin Lizzie- first aid, 2. Liberty Wagon- supply wagon 3. Box car -transport