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- TEMATICKÁ OBLAST: Literature in English lessons
- NÁZEV AKTIVITY: War in literature
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- CÍLOVÁ SKUPINA: Intermediate to upper-intermediate
- ČASOVÁ DOTACE: 45 minutes – 1 hour
- NÁZEV PL: Introduction to the topic and Pre-reading Vocabulary to “All Quiet on the Western Front“.
- MATERIÁL: Cards with war words and its definitions, a map of the world on a poster, a picture of poppies, the song “The Poppies blow“ with the images (You tube)
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### Method

- 1 You need a picture of poppies.

Elicit what the flower reminds the students of. In pairs, students think of different things the flower reminds them of.

- 2 Play the song "The Poppies blow" (YouTube)

Ask the students what the images are. (Soldiers, graves with crosses, hospitals with nurses and doctors, horses, pilots, factories fields with poppies, friends,..)

Elicit the topic (not the title) of the book they are going to read. (war)

Elicit what the students know about the First World War.

- 3 Pre-Reading Vocabulary – group activity, based on matching words with their definitions.

Copy and cut up the war words (A-cards) and their definitions (B-cards) one set for each group.

Divide the class into pairs or groups of three. Give each group a set of A-cards and B- cards.

Students match the cards.

Check orally with the whole class. Do it this way. Shuffle the definitions (B-cards) and read them

up one at a time. Ask different pairs/groups to give you the corresponding word.

#### 4 A game - practicing the vocabulary from 3.

Use the set of the words (A-cards).

Divide the class into groups of 3-4. Give each group a set of A-cards. They shuffle them and place them face down on a pile in front of them. The first student picks up the top card, says it and then gives the definition. If correct, s/he keeps the card. If not, the card is placed at the bottom of the pile to be used later on. It is now next student's turn to pick up a card. The game continues in this way until all the cards are used up. The person with the most is the winner.

#### Key

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offensive	aggressive movement or attack
chloroform	colorless liquid used in medicine as an anesthetic
skirmishes	brisk conflicts between outlying detachments of opposing armies
armistice	a truce; temporary suspension of hostilities
latrine	something used as a toilet in a military camp
canteen	place where entertainment, drinks, etc. are provided for people in the military
spades	weapons with iron blades and long handles
shrapnel	shell fragments
stratagem	plan for surprising an enemy
martinets	strict military disciplinarians
lorries	motor trucks
provisions	supplies of food
reinforcements	an additional supply of men for military force
evacuate	to remove troops, civilians, etc. from a war zone for reasons of safety

mediators	people who work to settle disputes
bombardment	an attack with bombs
trenches	long, narrow excavations in the ground, the earth from which is thrown up in front to serve as a shelter from the enemy's fire
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