THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

KEY STAGE 2 / LESSON 1

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Changing life stories

Cause and Consequence

Cause and consequence cards to copy, cut and use in small groups.

CAUSE August 1914 Britain declared war on Germany.	CONSEQUENCE Men were expected to join the forces to defend their country.
CAUSE Men in Britain enlisted as soldiers.	CONSEQUENCE As the men signed up to fight they had to leave their jobs.
CAUSE There were not enough workers to do all the jobs that men did.	CONSEQUENCE Women and children began to work in factories, on farms, on transport... doing all the jobs left by the men.
CAUSE Women and children started to work in the jobs that men had done.	CONSEQUENCE With the encouragement of parents some children worked in factories and mills.
CAUSE Some children worked in factories.	CONSEQUENCE Children who worked in factories and mills could not go to school for a whole day so they started to work for half a day.
CAUSE Working children could only go to school for half a day.	CONSEQUENCE Children were tired and missed some vital hours of lessons.
CAUSE More and more women and children went to work.	CONSEQUENCE More men were able to join the forces as the jobs at home were taken care of.
CAUSE Women and children worked really hard and in difficult conditions.	CONSEQUENCE Because women and children worked so hard Britain managed to produce food and goods to support the country.