The Battle of the Somme.

- **419,654** British Casualties
- **204,253** French Casualties
- **500,000** German Casualties (approx. figure)

- **57,470** British casualties (killed and wounded) on the first day of the Battle of the Somme
- **19,240** 19,240 British soldiers died on the first day of the battle
- **8 days** The initial pre-battle artillery bombardment lasted 8 days

- **5 miles** The furthest advance of any Allied force was 5 miles
- **90%** It is thought that 90% of all British casualties on the first day of the Battle of the Somme were caused by German machine guns

- **800** During the Battle of the Somme (July – Nov 1916) the RFC lost 800 aircraft and 252 aircrew killed, with 292 tons of bombs dropped and 19,000 recce photographs taken

- **British 18 Pounder Gun** The standard British field gun fired 18lb shells, over 800 guns were deployed on the first day of the Battle of the Somme. The German counterpart Howitzer ‘Big Bertha’ was capable of firing shells of over 2,000lb.

- **141** The Battle of the Somme lasted 141 days and ended on 18 November 1916

- **MKI Tank**
  - Country of origin: Great Britain
  - Number built: 150 (75 male and 75 female)
  - Year: 1916
  - Crew: 8
  - Speed: 4.5km/h
  - Armour: 6–12mm
  - Range: 37km
  - Firepower (male): 2 x 6 pounder guns and 3 x 8mm Hotchkiss machine guns
  - Firepower (female): 4 x .303 Vickers machine guns and 1 x 8mm Hotchkiss machine guns