WORLD WAR I & WORLD WAR II

Activity Trail
at the Tower Museum
WORLD WAR I
The First World War lasted from 1914 to 1918. Many Irishmen went off to fight in this war with the Allies.

1. Look at the panels. How many men from Ireland fought in World War I?

2. Can you find out the names of two divisions from Ireland?
   1. 
   2. 

3. Why do you think men volunteered to fight?

4. Can you give two reasons why women were not asked to join the army?
   1. 
   2. 

5. How would you describe life in the trenches?
After watching the audiovisual on the First World War, can you write a sentence to describe what the Battle of the Somme would have been like?

Can you find out if anyone in your family was in the army during World War I? Back at school you could talk about this and if possible find out what happened to the soldier.

WORLD WAR II
Many people were involved in this war, either fighting or working on the Home Front.

Look at the panel on World War II. Can you find out when the war started?

Can you find out when the American navy set up a base in the city?

Give two reasons why Derry was an important base for the Americans.
1. 
2. 

During the war everyone had to carry an identity card. Can you give two reasons why?
1. 
2. 
The Home front was an important part of the war. Everyone had to help with the War Effort.

Can you find out what the letters ARP stand for?

What else did people do to help win the war?

What was the Battle of the Atlantic?

In 1945 the Germans surrendered many of their U Boats at the port here. Look at the case for information. Why was this an important event?

Can you write a sentence to describe the photograph showing the surrender?