

Walter Tull learning resource and activity instructions

Question: Who was Walter Tull?

Learning outcomes

Knowledge and understanding the life Walter Tull.

His childhood

His family life

• His career

His achievements

Suitable age group

Children aged 5 to 11 (Key stage 1 and 2).

Instructions for parents; teachers and community learning facilitators.

Activity 1 - Show and Tell

Instruction: Read the story of Walter Tull.

Resource: The Walter Tull picture book on page 2 to 10.

Time: Maximum10 minutes.

Activity 2 - Pictures and questions

Instruction: Pick a photo from the Walter Tull picture book.

Study the photo and think of some questions about the photo using these

words: What; where; when; who; why and how?

Resource: The Walter Tull picture book on page 2 to 10.

Optional - quiz sheet is available.

Time: Maximum 5 minutes per picture.

Activity 3-When did this happen?

Instruction: Randomly pick a picture from the Walter Tull picture book.

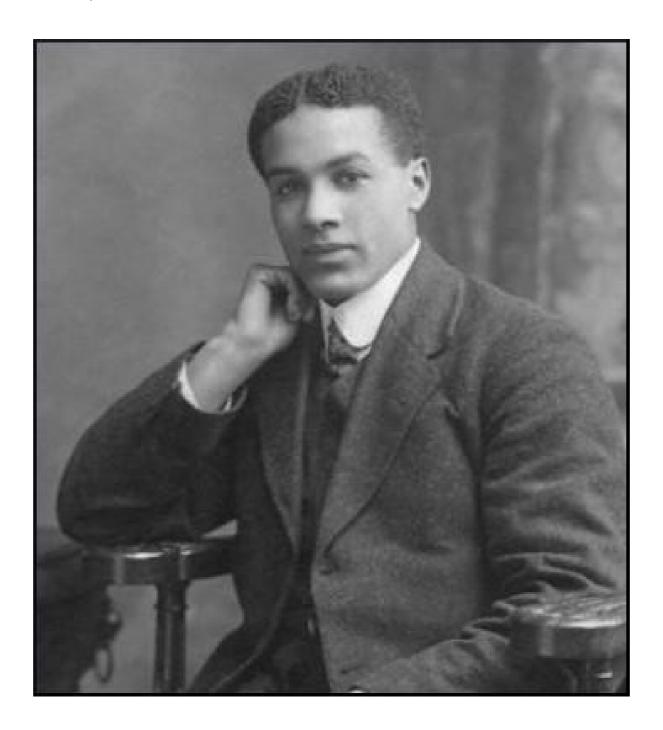
Cover the text and ask 'When did this happen in Walter's life?'

Resource: The Walter Tull picture book on page 2 to 10.

Time: Maximum 5 minutes per picture.

Walter Tull picture book

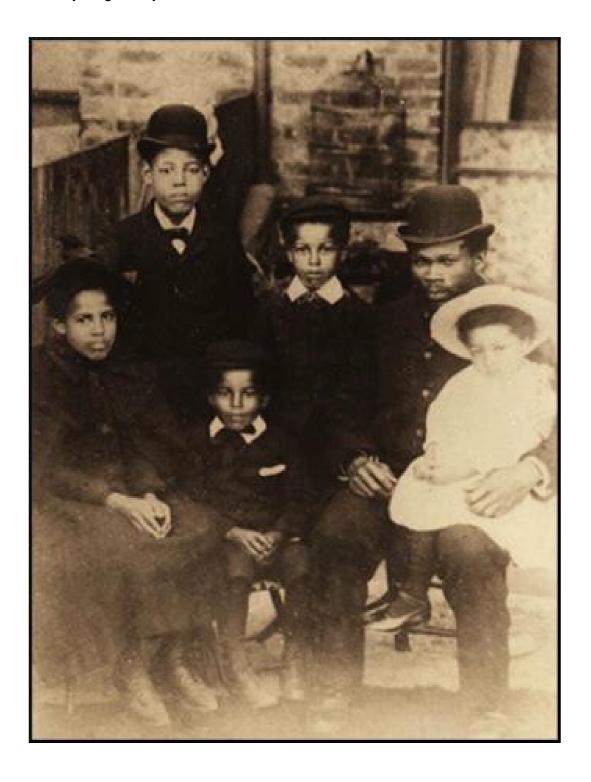
This is a portrait of Walter Tull taken some time between 1905 and 1917.



Walter with his siblings

Walter Tull was born on 28 April 1888, in England.

Walter is the youngest boy sited with a white handkerchief in his blazer.



Orphanage's football team

In 1898, Walter was brought up in the Children's Home and Orphanage in London after his parents' death.

Walter joined the orphanage football team from 1900.

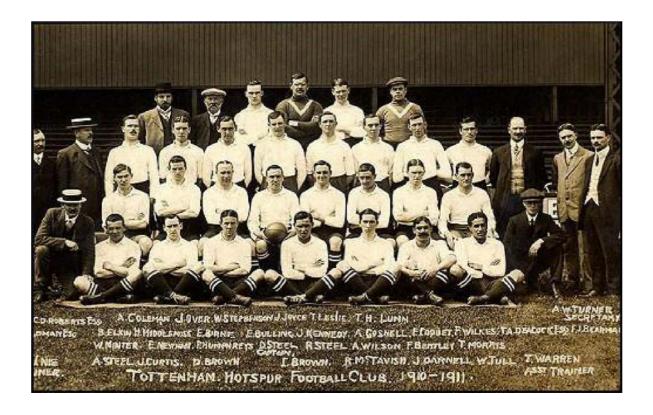
Walter is sited with his legs crossed, second from the left, bottom row.



Tottenham Hotspur Football Club 1910 -1911

In 1909, Walter signed up with Tottenham Hotspur. He was aged 21.

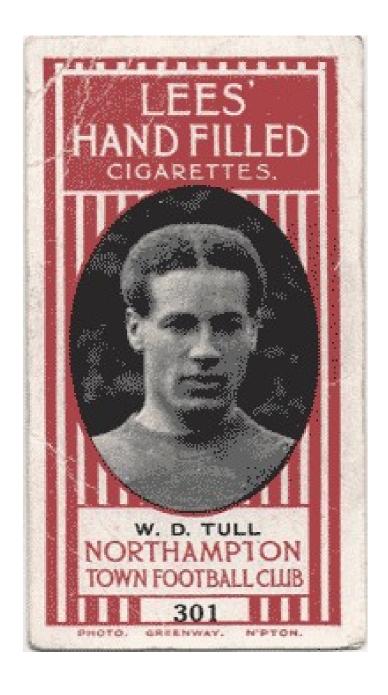
Walter is sited with hands and legs crossed at the bottom right hand corner.



Walter signed up to Northampton Town FC

In 1911 Walter was sold for 'a heavy tranfer fee' to Northampton Town.

This is a cigarette card printed with Walter's photo.



Walter joined the army

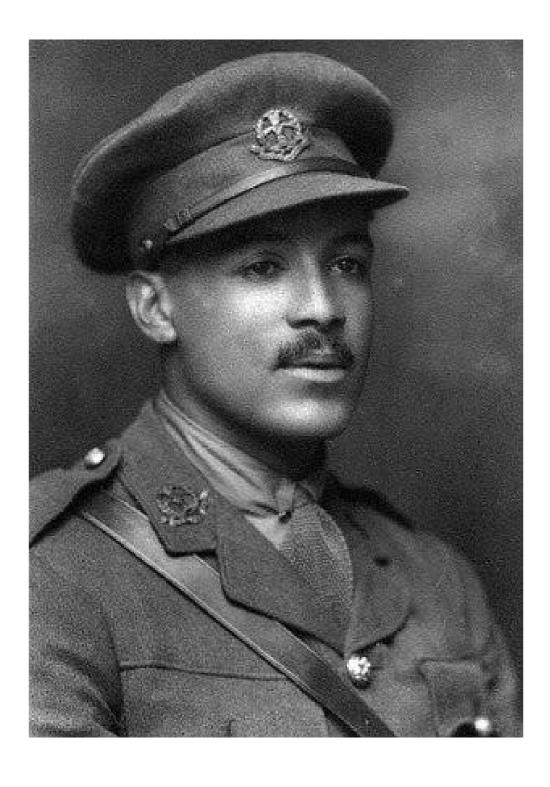
In August 1914, war was declared in Britain.

On 21 December 1914, Walter volunteered to join the army.



Walter becomes an officer

In November 1917, after being trained as an officer, Walter became the first black officer in the British Army to command white troops.



Walter died in 1918

On 25 March 1918 Tull was killed by machine gun fire in France.



Unknown grave

Walter is one of thousands of soldiers killed. They are remembered in a memorial cemetery in France.

