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Theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Anzacs Wide Game
Age Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-12 • 12-14
Length	2 hours

Program Outline

Time	Activity	Equipment needed
	The skills we learn as Guides have been used during the fighting in World War 1 and 2. Soldiers had to make ladders to climb hills, ravines or trenches, make rafts out of whatever was available to cross rivers or stretchers to carry wounded soldiers. They had to be able to dress a gaping wound, and then had to move the wounded soldiers to the first aid base. They also had to carry messages, particularly when the communication lines had been destroyed by gunfire. Eating was done in very basic conditions – open fires, small stoves etc.	Photos from Google images, or “Snapshots of War” – kit available in some schools. Each activity to be on the back of the photos, to give the Guides some clues to how to do the activity, some information about the wartime experiences. Make use of the landscape around the buildings.
20/30 mins	Base 1: At the base of the hill, construct a ladder using the bamboo and ropes	Wood, ropes, knots charts Photo of Kokoda Track
15/20 mins	Base 2: Climb the hill to the top, apply first aid to the patrol members who have been wounded, then one person lead them all back down to the next base	Basic First Aid Equipment Photo of PNG men helping soldiers out
20/30 mins	Base 3: Construct a raft to float the soldiers out to the first aid stations or ships waiting off shore. Use the skewers and twine. See if they float in the crate.	Skewers, twine, bathtub Photo of raft carrying wounded soldiers
20 mins	Base 4: Soldiers had to be very quiet behind the lines, particularly when very close to the enemy – send a message along the line (see Leaders for the message)	Morse Code charts Photo of radio equipment

10 mins	Base 5: When finished, report to the Salvo's for a welcome Anzac Biscuit and cuppa!	Anzac biscuits, cordial,
	Debrief & clean up.	

Notes: I have done this in various ways over the years, modifying to keep it interesting.

For example, this year I had photos of WW1 campsites in Egypt, and had the Guides put up a ridge tent (Newly arrived in Egypt, set up camp etc.); cook the rations (pare cooked sausages, bread rolls, only instructions were they had to light a fire and cook it anyway they could – skewers, alfoil eventually used) – that took the 2 hours this time.

Semaphore is also enjoyed by the Guides. Compared current rationpacks with the Bully beef and tea one year.

Sample photos (Google images these ones)

