

MEDALS

Men and women who served in World War One were given medals to thank them.

Campaign medals were awarded for serving at different times and in different places in the war and most people got the British War Medal and the Allied Victory Medal.

Extra medals were given for gallantry when someone had acted especially bravely in a battle or fight. Sometimes a medal was given to someone who had done a special job during the war.

- The medals were made of metal and were usually round or star-shaped
- They hung on a striped ribbon which could be fastened to your jacket
- They had your name on one side or on the rim and a special design or the king's head on the other side
- They often said what they had been awarded for



Can you find out more about medals in the exhibition?

Were they always given by the British government?

Were they always for soldiers in the army?

Try designing your own medal.