



**Walter Tull**

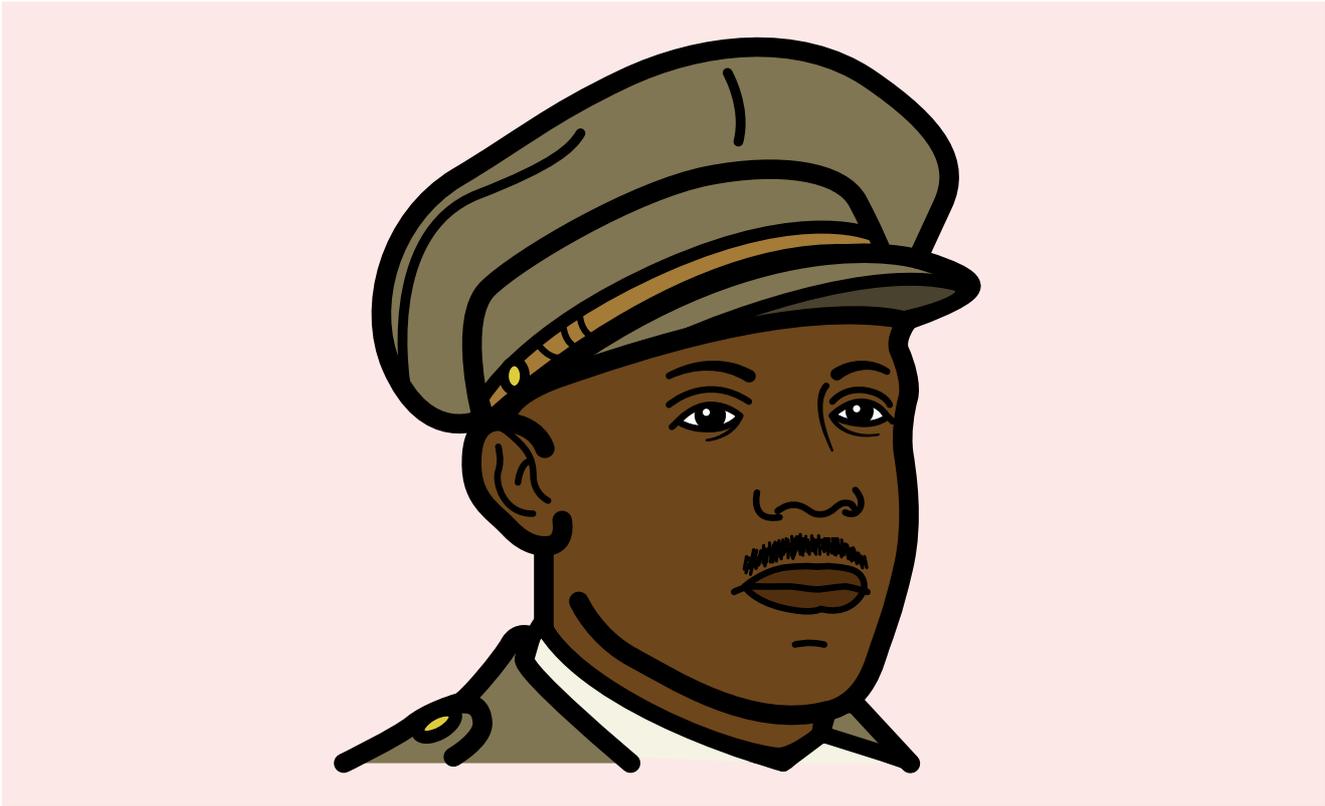
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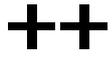
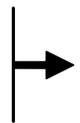
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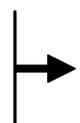
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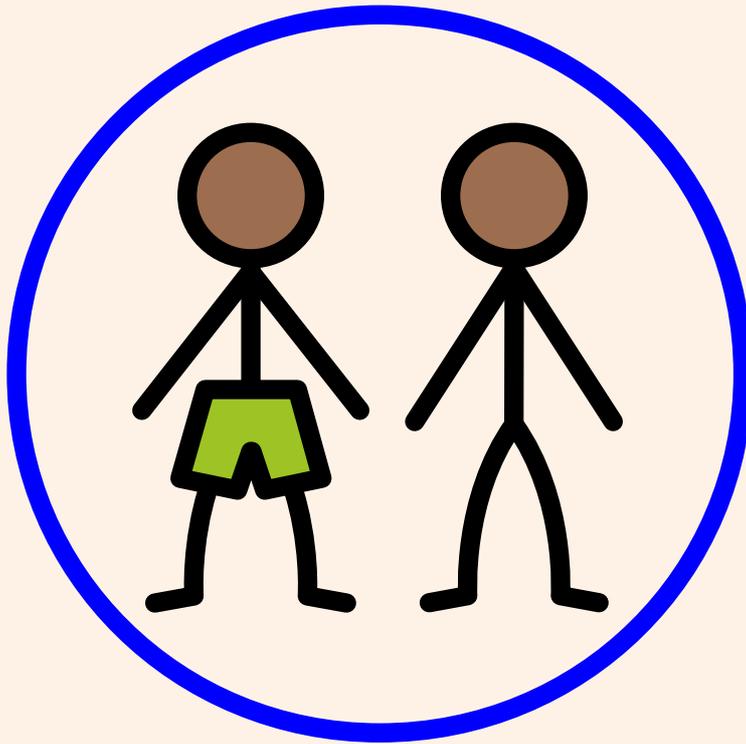



 was
 
 born
 in
 
 Folkestone,
 
 Kent
 in
 1888.


 His
 
 mother,
 
 Alice Palmer,
 was
 
 also
 
 from
 
 Kent.


 His
 
 father,
 
 Daniel Tull,
 was a
 
 carpenter
 
 from
 
 Barbados.


 Walter's
 
 grandfather
 was a
 
 slave
 in
 
 Barbados.

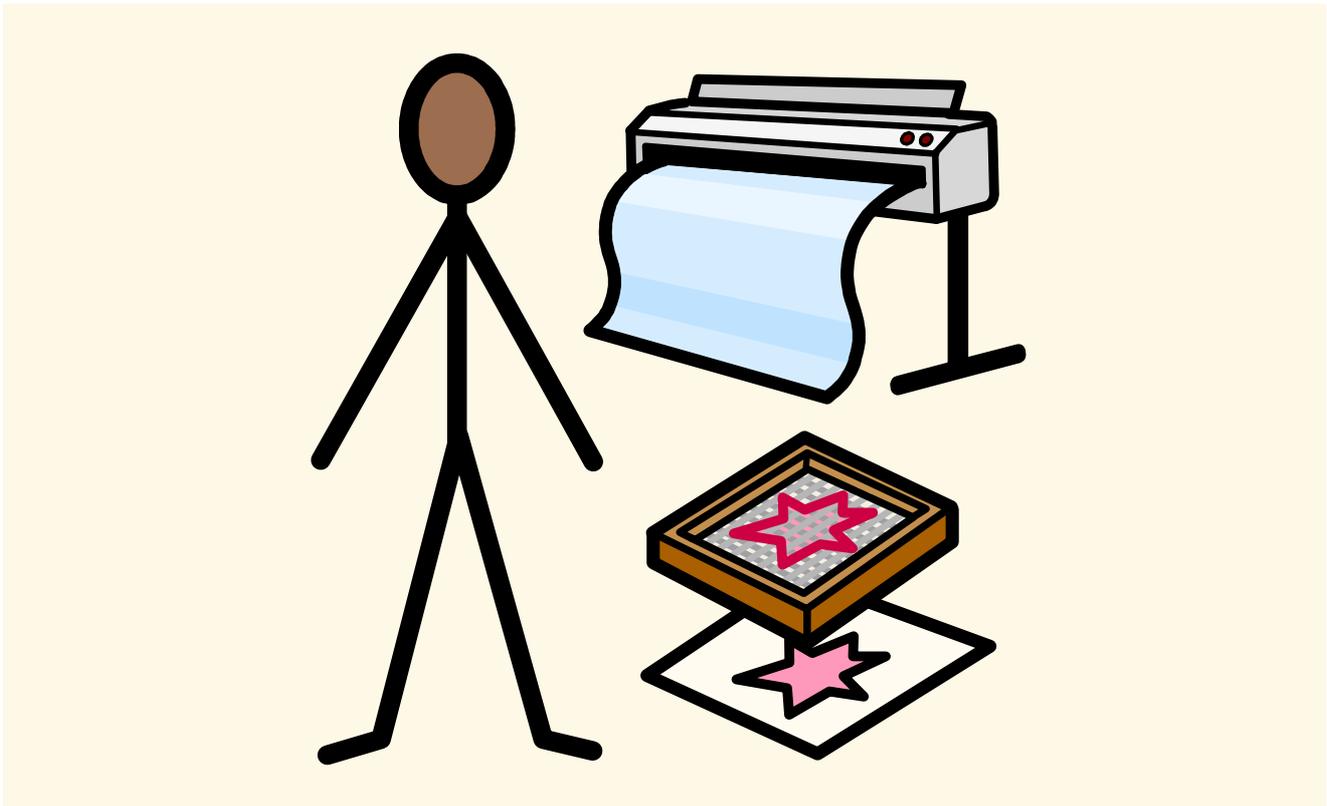


  both  died when  Walter was  young.

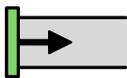
 Walter had a  brother called  Edward.

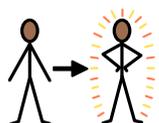
 Walter and his  brother were  sent to an  orphanage.

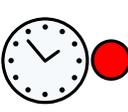
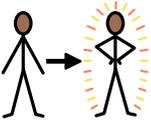
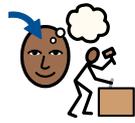
From  age   Walter  grew up in a  London  orphanage.

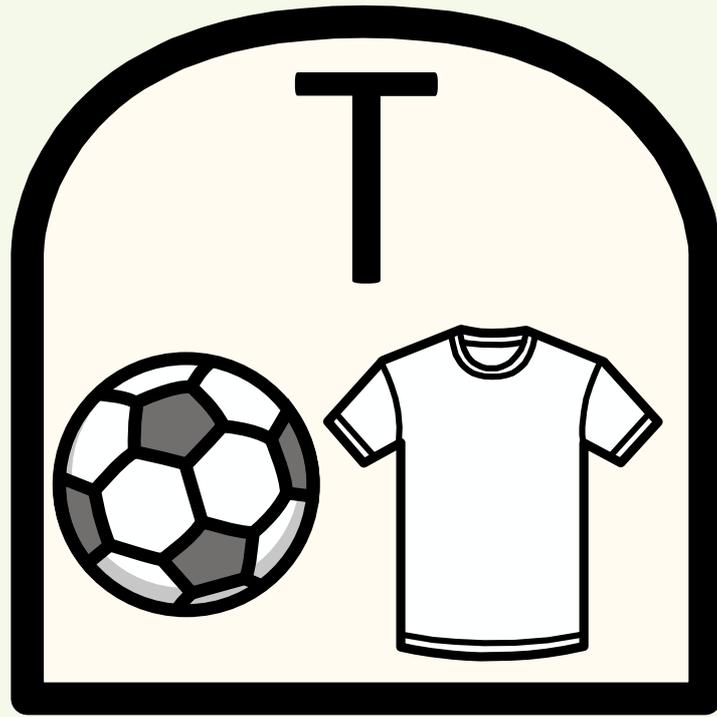


At the  orphanage  Walter and  Edward went to school. 

 Walter  began  playing  cricket and  football.

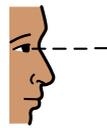
 Walter  loved  football and  became  very good.

 After  school  he  became a  printer's  apprentice.



Walter

was



spotted



playing

for



Clapton Football Club.

1909

In

1909



Walter



signed



with



Tottenham Hotspur.



Spurs

was

1

one

of



London's



top

professional



teams.



Walter



toured



South America



during

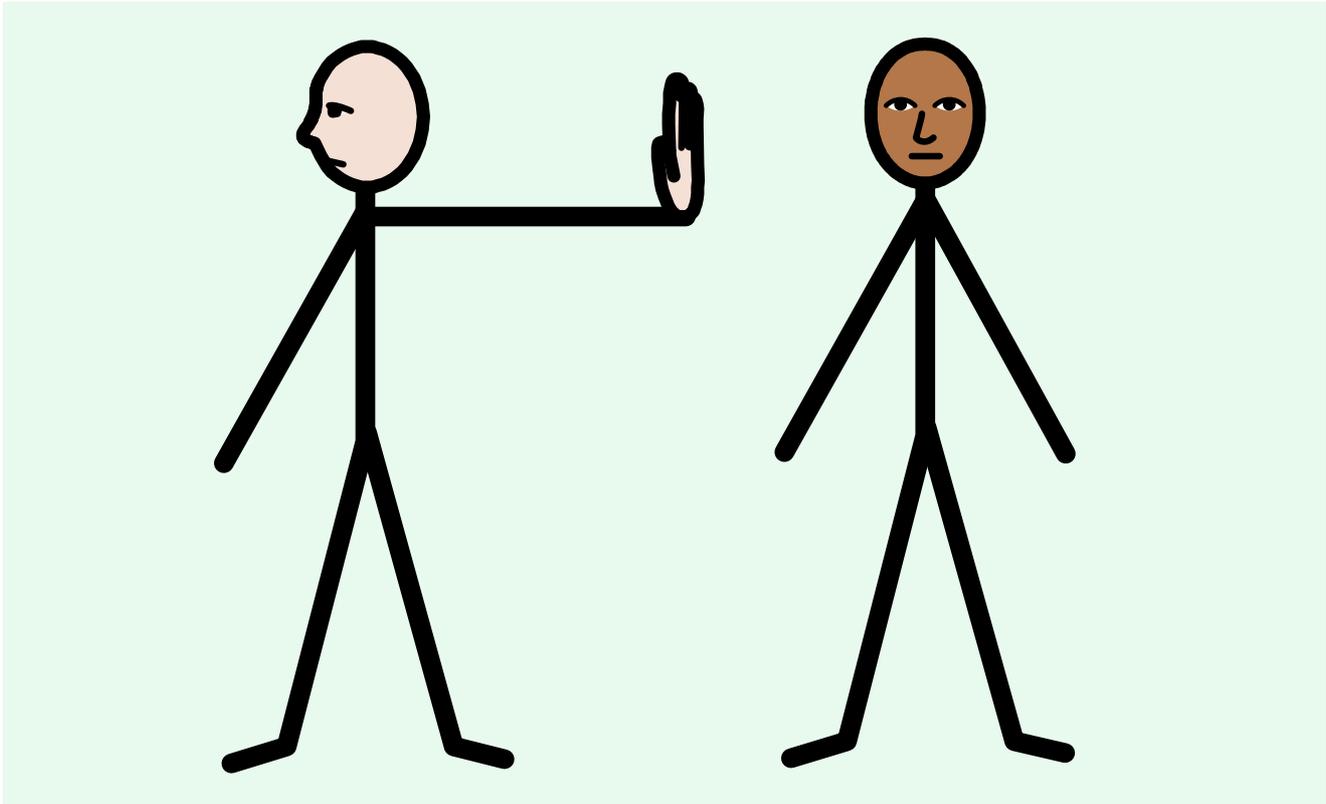
his

1<sup>st</sup>

first



season.



Walter



gained



a



reputation

for his



accurate



passing.



He

was the

2<sup>nd</sup>



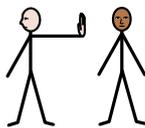
British

black professional player.

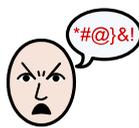


Walter

was



racially



abused

by



opposition



fans.



He

was



dropped

from the

1<sup>st</sup>



team

at

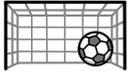


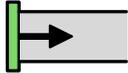
Spurs.

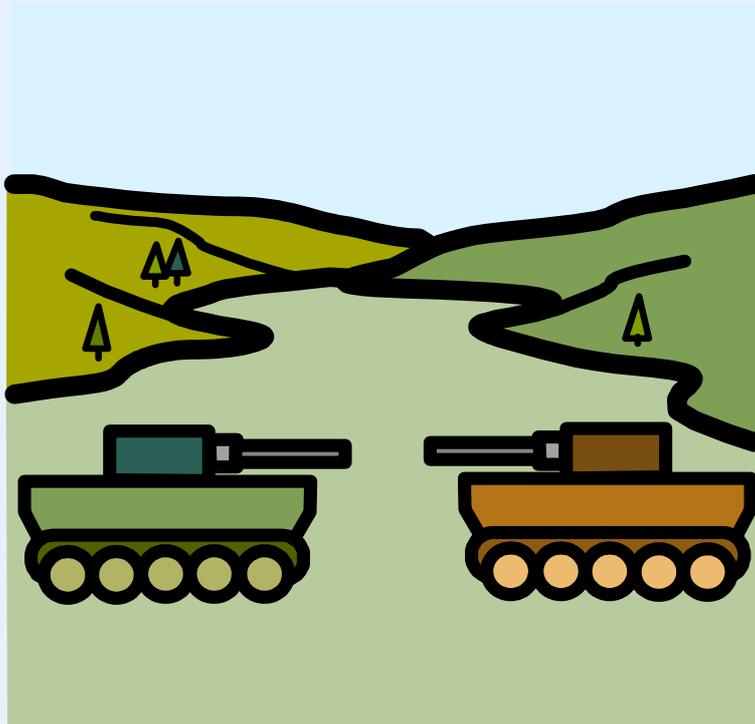


1911      
In 1911 Walter signed with Northampton Town.

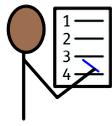
  **111**     
Walter played 111 matches during his time there.

 **9**    
Walter scored 9 goals for Northampton Town.

1914       
In 1914 World War 1 began and football stopped.



Walter



enlisted

in the



British



Army.



Walter



served

in the

2



Football



Battalions.



He

was a



natural



leader

and



promoted

to



S

sergeant.

1916

In

1916

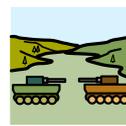


Walter

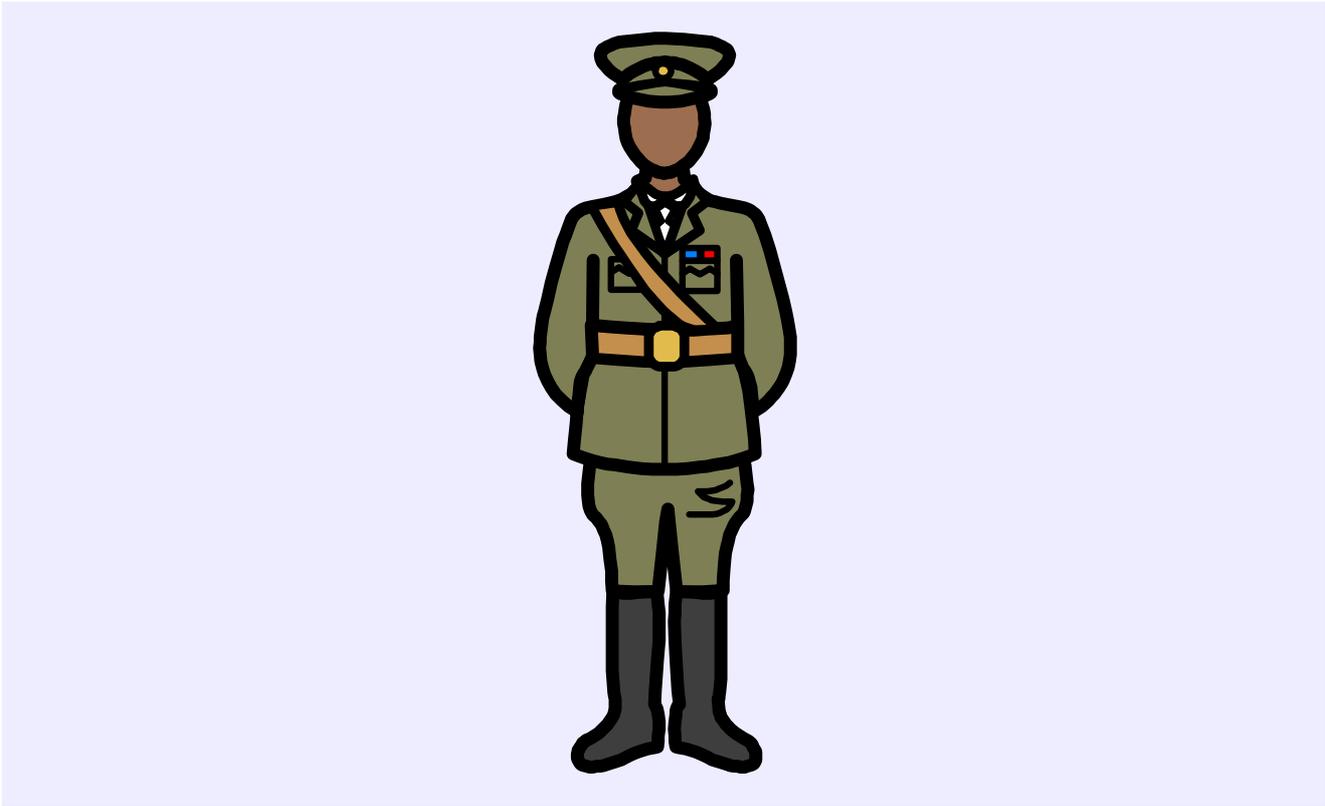


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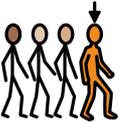


Battle of the Somme.

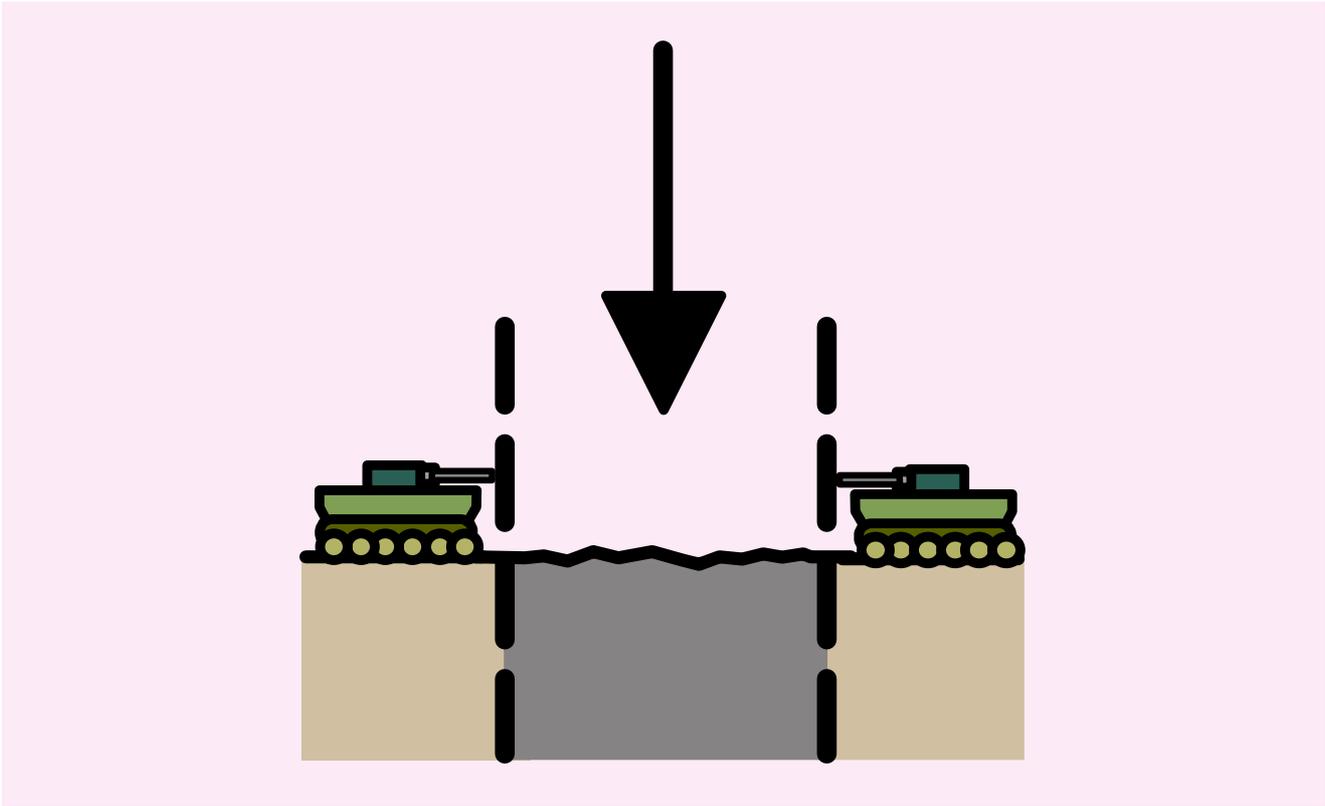


1917  was  promoted to  lieutenant.

 He was one of the <sup>1</sup> black officers in the  army.

 In  Italy  Walter led  raids to the  German  trenches.

 He was  nominated for a  Military Cross for  bravery.

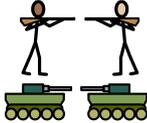







 1918  
 Walter returned to northern France in March 1918.

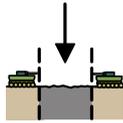




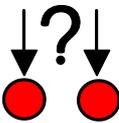
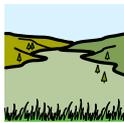
 1918  
 He was killed in action on 25th March 1918.

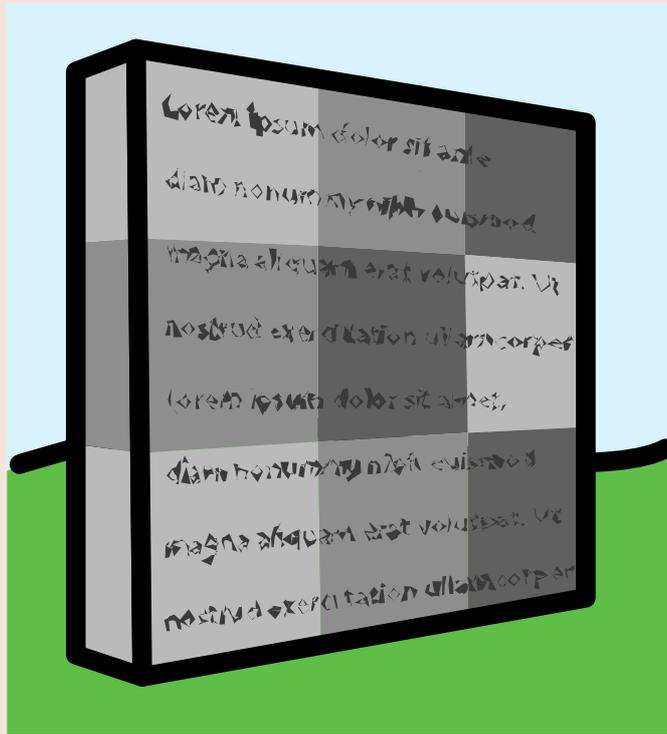





 Walter's body was not found in No Man's Land.





 Walter is buried somewhere in the Somme.



Walter



received



medals

but



not

the



Military Cross.



A

road

to



Northampton Town

was

named after



him.



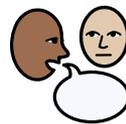
In

Northampton,

a

wall memorial

tells about



his



life.

2014



In

2014

Walter

featured on a special



£5



coin.



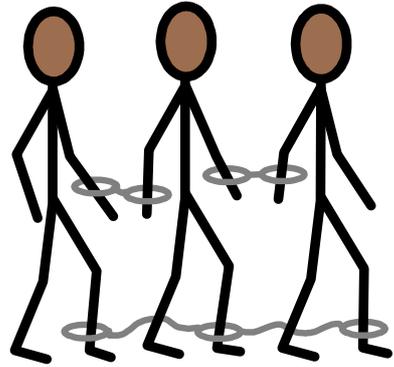
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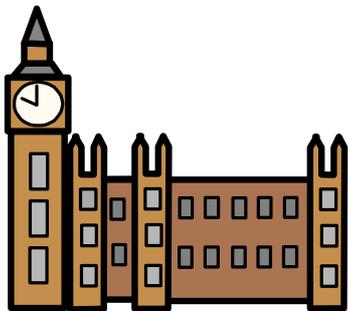
Folkestone



Barbados



slave



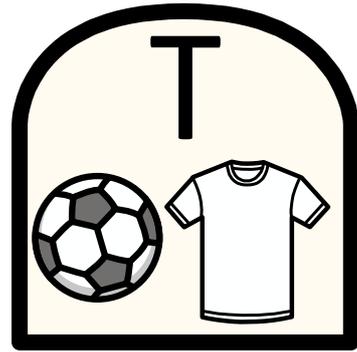
London



orphanage



football



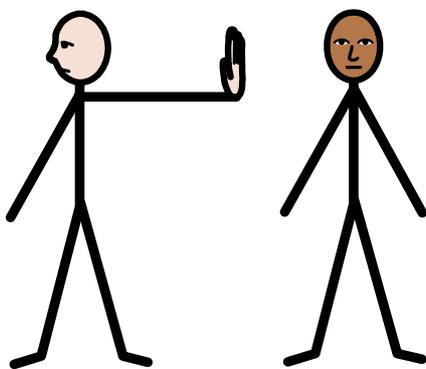
Spurs



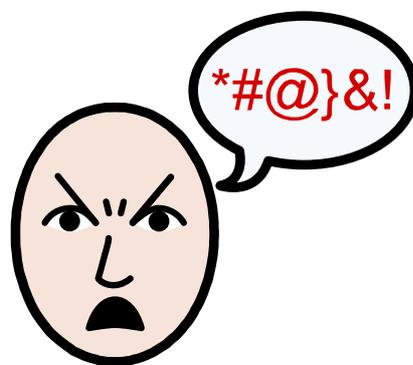
passing



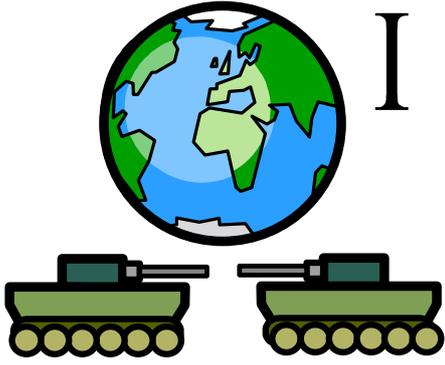
Northampton Town



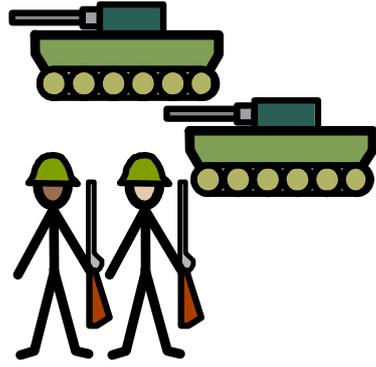
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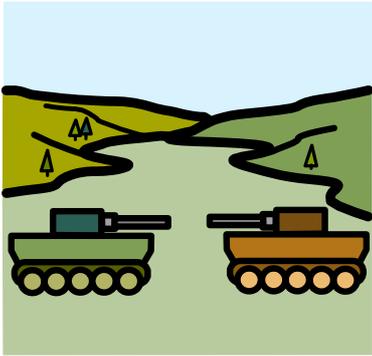
abused



World War 1



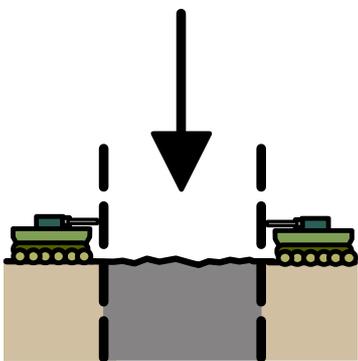
army



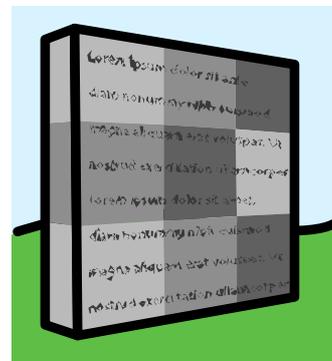
Battle of the Somme



lieutenant



No Man's Land



memorial