





## The Viaduct Cup

# Chapter 16

## Worksheet







Read Chapter 16

War is declared interrupting their plans to play the match. They didn't know how much it would affect the world.

Do you think the people of Nether Bridge really knew what war would mean for them?

The boys are excited to join up and go to war together. Do you think they were all excited and keen to go? Most of them would never have travelled out of their own town before- would it have seemed like a big adventure?

What about the girls? Would they have felt left out? Or relieved that they weren't expected to fight? Would they have been scared for their friends?

Why does Bernie want to wait? Would he have been able to say no to joining up if all his friends went?









#### Chapter 16 Activity

History- Do some research in books and online about the declaration of WW1.

Can you find accounts of people remembering the time WW1 was declared? What did they think about it all?

The boys join the local 'Pals Battalion'- can you research what these battalions were made up of?

Why would it be a good idea for the lads to all join up together?

Why might it have been a bad idea?









#### **Chapter 16 Activity**

The government of the time produced lots of posters to encourage people to sign up. Design a poster encouraging people to sign up for the war effort



