



MHM WALES

# VE-DAY!

## IT'S OVER IN EUROPE

**3 p.m. ANNOUNCEMENT WILL CLINCH IT**

TODAY is VE-Day—the day for which the British people have fought and endured five years, eight months and four days of war.

With unconditional surrender of Germany to all the Allies, the war in Europe is over except for the actions of fanatical Nazis in isolated pockets, such as Prague.

The Prime Minister will make an official announcement—in accordance with arrangements between Britain, Russia and the U.S.—at three o'clock this afternoon.

ALL TODAY AND TOMORROW ARE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS IN BRITAIN, IN CELEBRATION OF OUR VICTORY.

We also remember and salute with gratitude and pride the men and women who suffered and died to make triumph possible—and the men still battling in the East against another cruel enemy who is still in the field.

## WAR WINNERS ON AIR TODAY

YOU will hear the echoes of the King, Field-Marshal Montgomery and Alexander and General Eisenhower on the B.B.C. Home service tonight.

After the King's speech at 8 p.m., and separated from it by the news bulletin, comes "Victory Report," a special programme which will contain the recorded voices of Ike and Monty, and other famous personalities of the war.

This afternoon Mr. Churchill announces the end of the war to the House of Commons and then, at 3 p.m., broadcasts to the world.

There will be no speeches, no ceremony in the House. The Prime Minister will read the editorial document, then at once ask that the House adjourn to St. Margaret's Chapel for a service of thanksgiving.

A procession will then be formed, headed by the Speaker and all members of the Cabinet, and will pass through Palace Yard and across Westminster-square to the chapel.

### Holiday for M.P.s

There will be no further sitting of the House that day. M.P.s will meet again tomorrow.

Additional features of the B.B.C. Home programme, which will end at 2 a.m. tomorrow, include, at 8 p.m., an address by the Archbishop of Canterbury at a Thanksgiving Service for Victory, and at 8.30, "Triumph to the King," in which fifteen people will take part.

They include representatives of the Dominions and Colonies, the American Navy, the Polish and Civil Defence forces, a sailor, and a London housewife.



### VE-SCENE TRAFALGAR SQUARE

It was a high old time in Trafalgar-square last night. Everybody wanted to climb something. This party of Wrens and Allied soldiers celebrated by clambering on to the lions. Army policemen present—like Nelson on his column—turned a blind eye.

## London's first V-hour

"Daily Mirror" Reporter

PROBABLY CIRCUS, VE-DAY. THERE are 18,000 of us here—at a conservative police estimate—in the first hour of this day of days to usher in VE with all the noise that 18,000 people can make when they are out to celebrate.

We had been waiting since two o'clock yesterday for this. We went home at six when it seemed that the news of VE-Day would never come—but we were back in strength for the first minute of VE-Day.

And for some time now we have been making the most of it.

We are dancing the Conga and the Big and—Knees up,

Mother Brown," and we are singing and whistling, and blowing paper triangles.

The idea is to make a noise. We are. Even above the roar of the motors of low-flying bombers "shooting up" the city.

We are dancing around Eric in the black-out, but there is a glow from a bonfire up Chancery-lane and a brass band cinema has lit its canopy lights for the first time in getting on for six years.

A huge V sign glares down over Leicester Square. And gangs of girls and soldiers of all the Allied nations are waving rifles and shouting and climbing lamp-posts and swarming over cars that have become bogged down in this

struggling swirling mass of celebrating Londoners.

A paper-balled throng is trying to pull me out of this telephone box now. I hold the door tight, but the din from Piccadilly Circus is drowning my voice.

A group of men liberated from German prison camps are yelling—"Hell out the Nazis!" "We sang it when we went to France in 1939 and we sang it as we tried to get out in 1940," they told me. "Now we sing it for victory!"

Amid howls cheers a New Zealand sailor climbed on the breast of a lion and from there to the roof.

He stood there swaying above the crowds as the

American army swarmed up after him, but the police fought their way through the crowd and pulled them down.

Traffic tried to push through

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### SURRENDER IN A FARMHOUSE

A Reuter message from Rhineland described how the surrender was signed at the little red farmhouse which is General Eisenhower's headquarters at 2.41 a.m.

General Jodi, now German Army C-in-C, signed for Germany.

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# Mental Health Matters Wales

## Activity Pack

### VE Day

#### Mental Health Matters Wales Aim

Our Therapeutic Support Service aims to make every effort in creating a friendly hospital environment. Our therapeutic activities focus on maintaining a sense of identity and purpose. We provide a safe, friendly and adaptable network of support using evidence based approaches including:

- Validation
- Creative
- Activity
- Reality Orientation
- Socialisation
- Physical Exercise

#### Mental Health Matters Wales Mission

To enrich nursing support provided by the NHS to ensure patients are treated with understanding and dignity in hospital and encouraged to participate in socialising activities in order to maintain their optimum well-being.

The provision of routine and therapeutic activities to patients who are 'ready for transfer' and are awaiting placement to a care home or complex package of care in their own home.

To increase the overall environmental, emotional and physical wellbeing of patients whilst reducing their fears and confusion in a hospital setting.



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# Aim of Pack

**To create activities that celebrate .....  
VE Day**

Victory in Europe Day, generally known as VE Day, is a day celebrating the formal acceptance by the Allies of World War II of Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender of its armed forces on 8 May 1945

**The Benefits of these Activities include but are not limited to**

## **Better Communication**

Participants living with a cognitive impairment and other illnesses may express feelings by drawing pictures.

## **Improved Coordination**

Activities can delay the loss of muscle control.

## **Relaxation**

It is a wonderful distraction from the blues, chronic pain, and other stressful situations.

## **Pride**

There can be immense satisfaction and pleasure taken from drawing projects.



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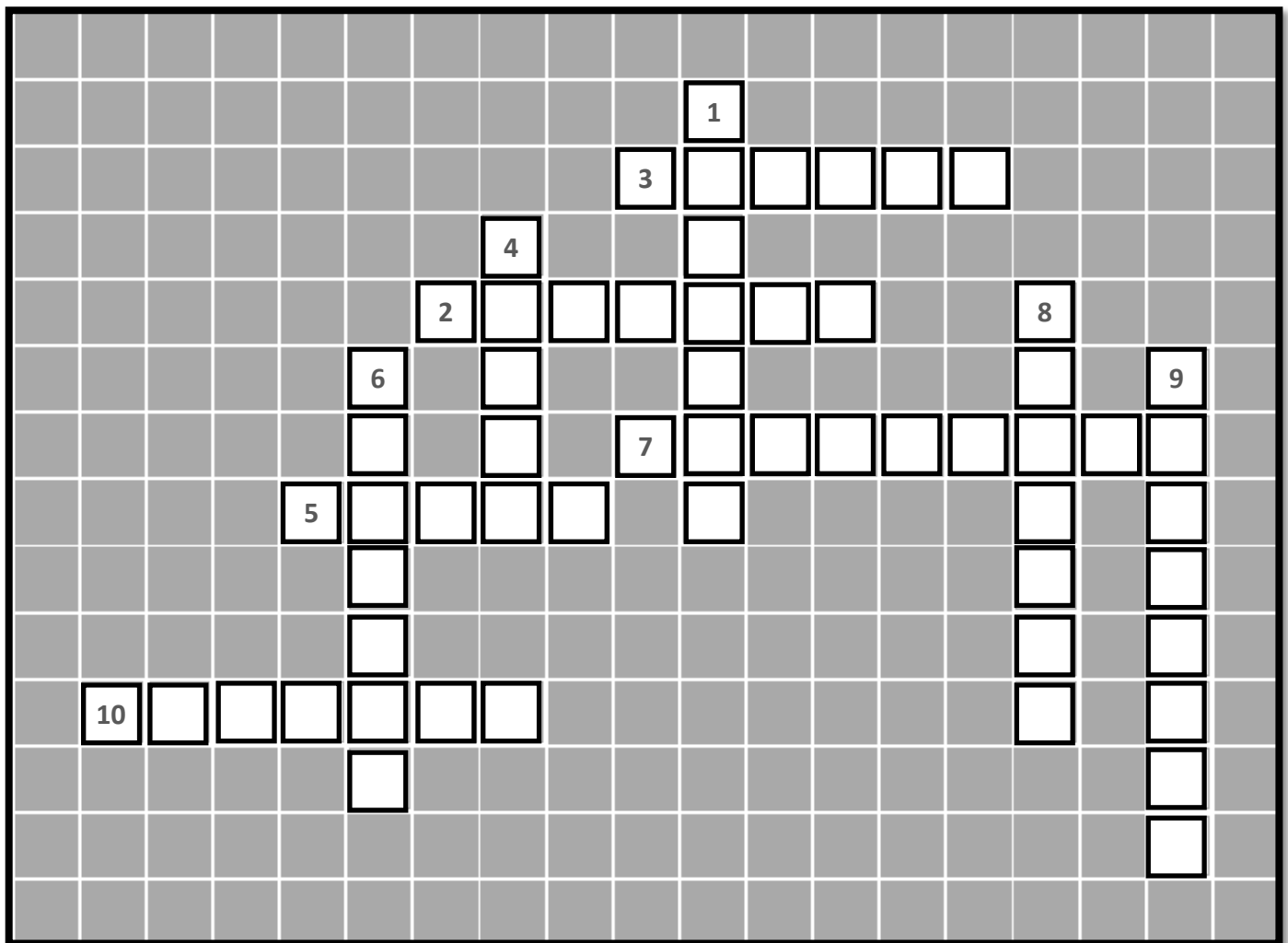
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# Remembrance Day Crossword Puzzle



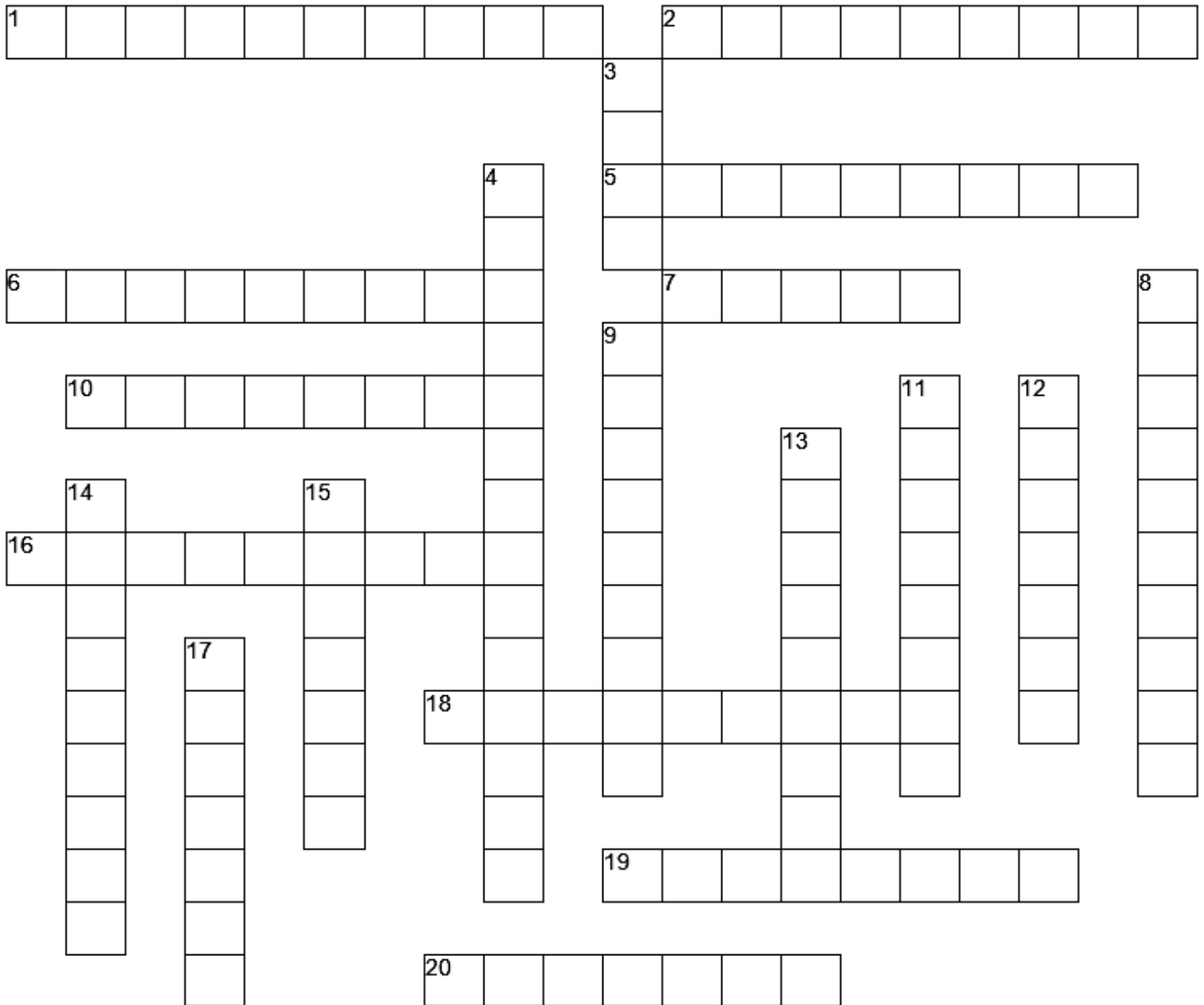
## Across

2. An act of helpful activity
3. Honesty, fairness, or inactivity in one's beliefs and actions
5. Common name for the whole of human civilization
7. To give up for the sake of something else
10. Person who has fought in a war

## Down

1. A day off from work or school
4. Awarded to a person as a form of recognition
6. Also called Blooms or Blossoms
8. An identifying outfit or style of dress
9. To think of again

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## Clues

### Across

1. Which US band leader went missing over the Channel in 1944?
2. Name the 3rd British Armed Force, RAF, British Army and?
5. What does the first "A" of WAAF stand for "Women's A----- Air Force"?
6. Along with the Spitfire what other aircraft was said to have won the "Battle of Britain"?
7. What was a German submarine known as?
10. Who was the "Forces Sweetheart" in WW2?
16. The evacuation of women and children from cities at risk of bombing September 1940 was known as what operation?
18. The Local Defense Volunteers in the British Army in WW2 were known as The what?
19. What was the common name of the air raid shelters made of corrugated iron buried in the garden?
20. Which German castle served as a POW camp for officers in WW2

### Down

3. What was the specially processed American meat made popular in WW2 commonly known as?
4. Where did Londoners "take cover"?
8. What was the nickname of anti-British broadcaster William Joyce?
9. According to the WW2 poster what did "Careless talk" do?
11. In which area of France were the D-Day landings?
12. During the war people were expected to carry their Identity Card, ration Book and which other item?
13. What was the German air force called?
14. The two Japanese cities attacked by atomic bombs in WW2 were called Nagasaki and what?
15. What were British citizens asked to "Dig for" in WW2?
17. Camp Coffee was made of coffee essence and what other ingredient?



# Remembrance Day Word Search



**Boots**

**Forces**

**History**

**Horse**

**Military**

**Poppy**

**Ration**

**Shelter**

**Soldier**

**Somme**

**Tommy**

**Trench**

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# Word Scramble

Unscramble the letters to find the Remembrance Day words from the list below

rgou eac .....

eptscer .....

lotyaly .....

reflsw o .....

rcraetca h .....

ohlyadi .....

veneatr .....

cbmemrreaen .....

celrvse .....

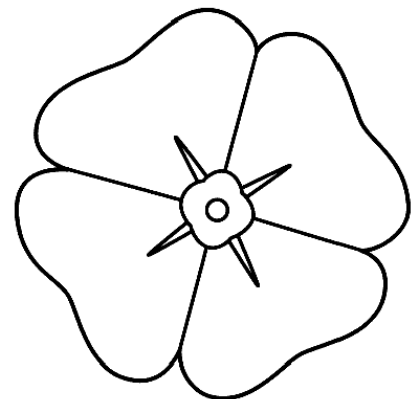
cetmreye .....

muonirf .....

## Word List

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cemetery	holiday	service
character	loyalty	soldiers
courage	remembrance	uniform
flowers	respect	veteran





# *Unmentioned in Despatches*

Some of them never come home to fanfares,  
they dump their kit-bags down at the door,  
kiss their wives and let their children  
wrestle them down to the kitchen floor,  
switch the telly on, pour out a whiskey,  
search for the local football score.

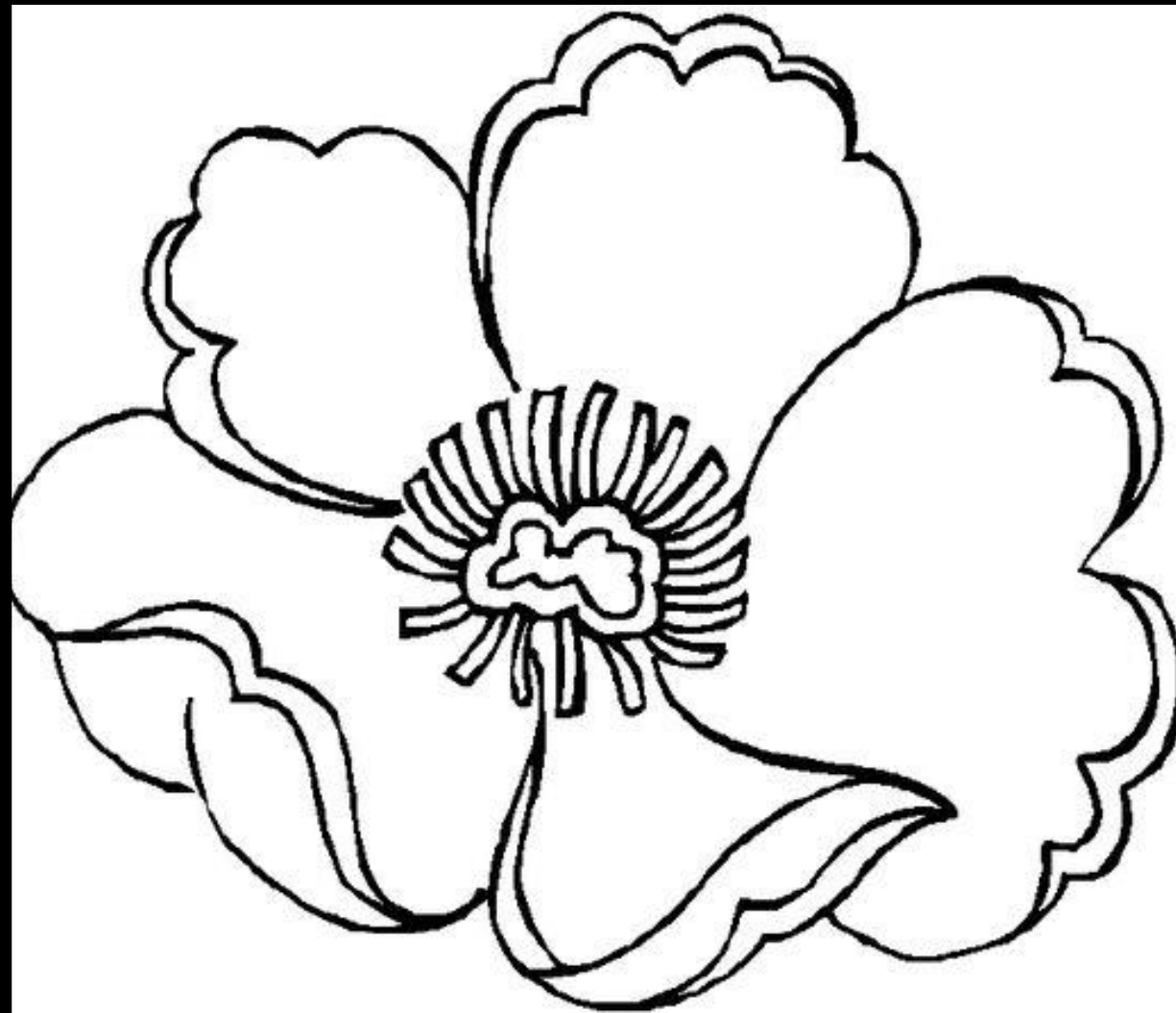
Some of them skip the quayside welcome,  
dodge the bunting and cannonade,  
make their landfall in silent harbours,  
nod to the coastguard, but evade  
the searchlight of public scrutiny  
like those engaged in the smuggling trade.

Some of them land at lonely airfields  
far removed from the celebration,  
hang their flying gear in a locker,  
cadge a lift to the railway station,  
make for home and take for granted  
the short-lived thanks of a grateful nation.

Some of them miss the royal salute,  
the victory parade along the Mall,  
the fly-past, the ships in formation passing  
the cheering crowds on the harbour wall.  
Remembered only by friends and relatives,  
some of them never come home at all.

*Poet: Peter Wyton*





Lest We  
Forget

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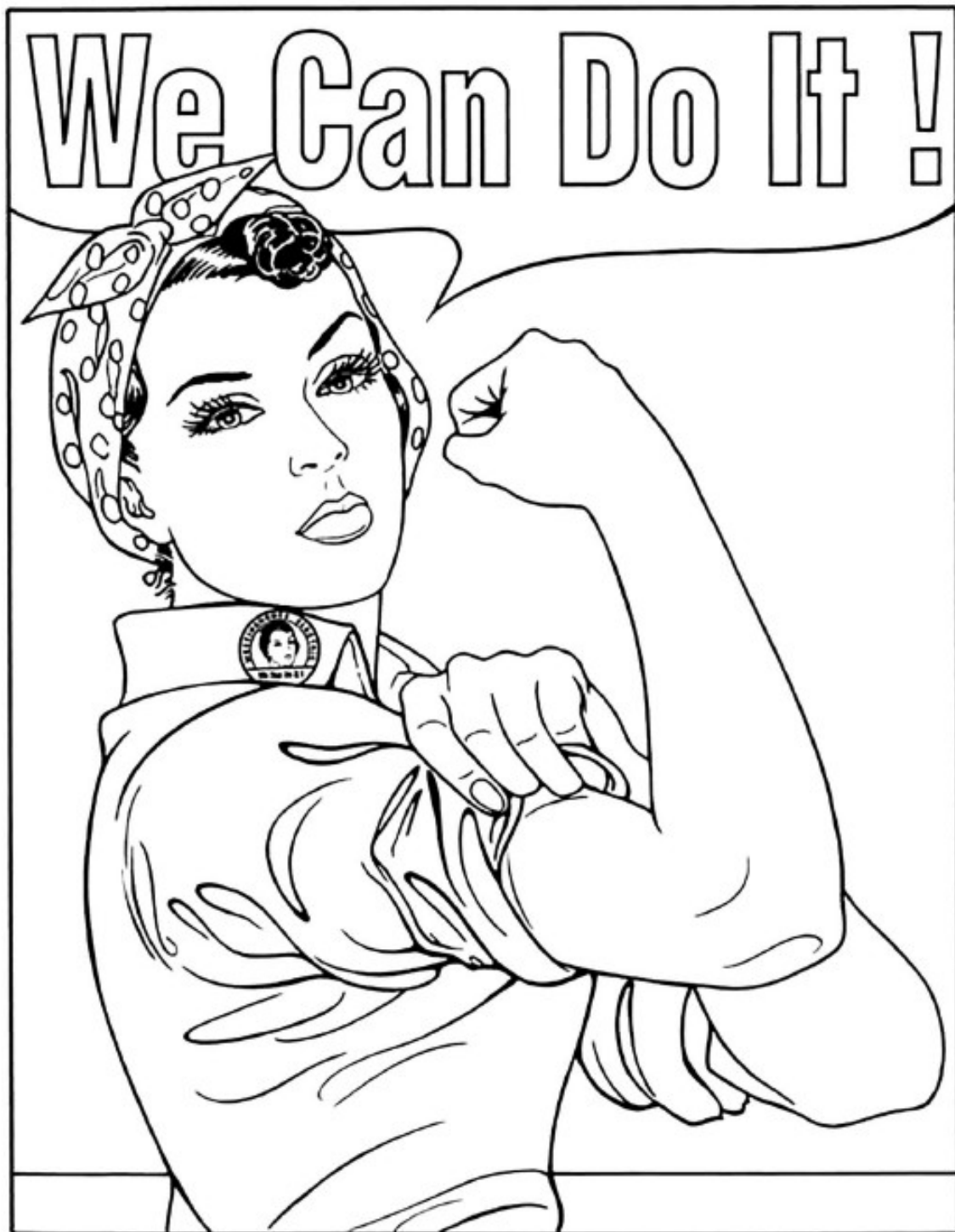
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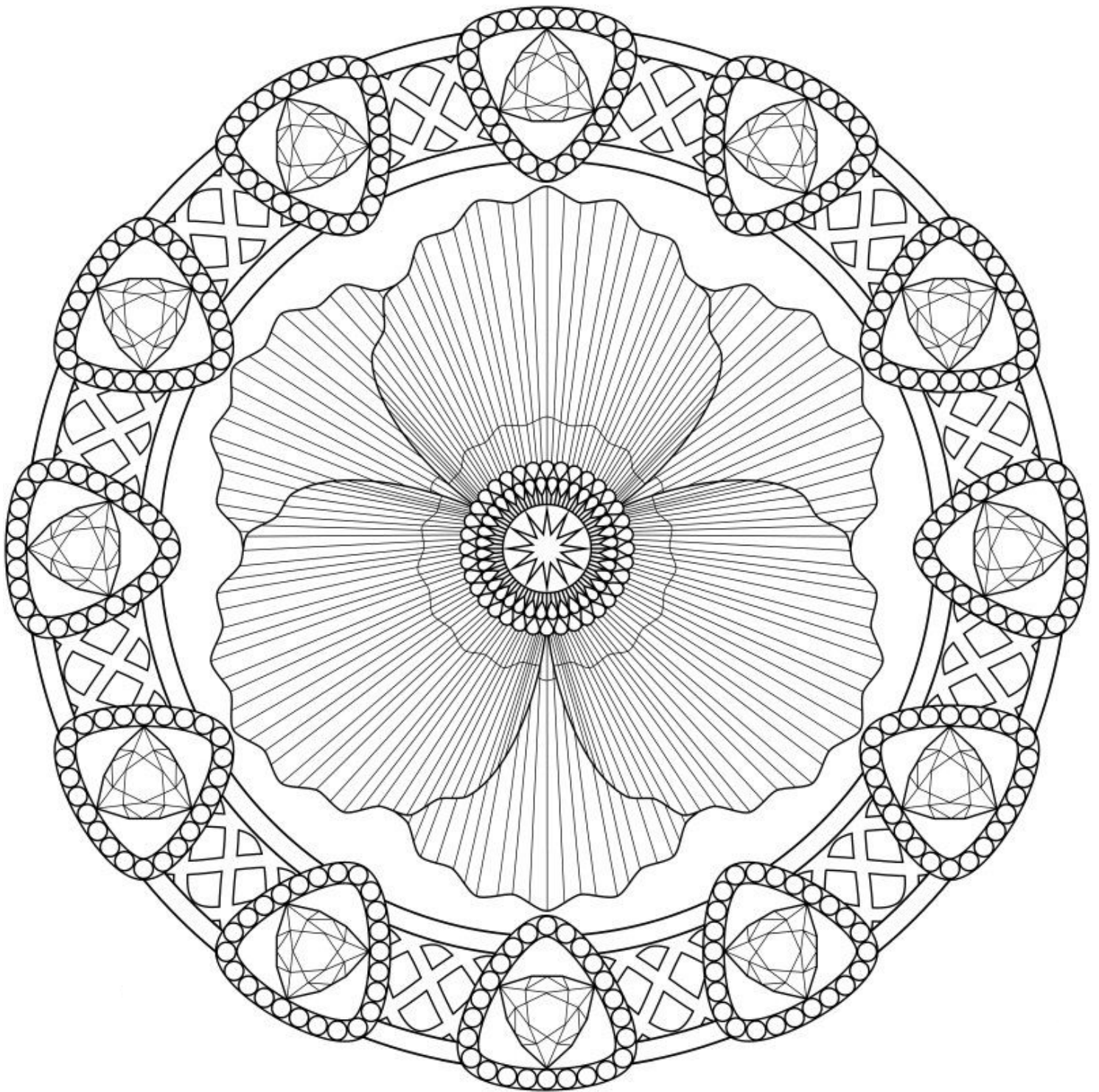


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# My Weekly Planner

MORNING

AFTERNOON

EVENING

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HIGHLIGHTS OF MY WEEK

THINGS TO REMEMBER



# Say to Yourself

## *HOLD ON.....*

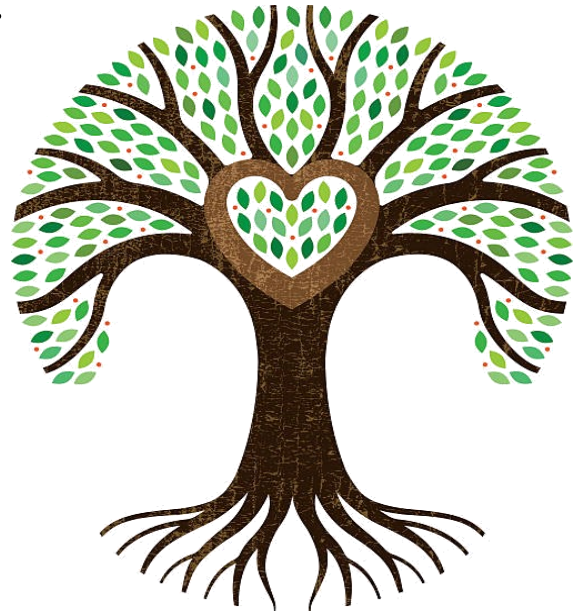
Hold on to what is **GOOD**, Even if it is a handful of earth,  
Hold on to what you **BELIEVE**, Even if it is a tree that stands by itself.

Hold on to what you must **DO**, Even if it is a long way from here.

Hold on to **LIFE**, Even when it seems easier letting go.

Hold on to **MY HAND**, Even when I have gone away from you.

## *Pueblo Blessing*



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AND  
CARRY  
ON**