

Glossary

BCOF	British Commonwealth Occupation Force
Cobber	20th-century Australian slang for friend
Collage	Combining a number of different materials, for example, photos, words and images to create a work of art
Convalescence	The gradual recovery of health and strength after illness
Empathy	Understanding someone else's feelings or point of view by putting yourself in their position
Federation	Several states uniting to create a nation
Gallantry	Bravery
Posthumous	An award or medal granted to someone after their death
RAAF	Royal Australian Air Force
Stationary Hospital	These were smaller hospitals generally based in forward areas

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Surrender	To give stop fighting an enemy and be taken prisoner
Typhoid	An infection that affects the intestines, and is caused by contaminated food or water
Macintosh	A waterproof raincoat
Mention in Despatches	Being named in a commander's official report of a battle or campaign for exceptional heroism, service, or achievement
Midwifery	The practice of assisting women in childbirth
Non-combatants	Someone who is connected to a military force, but who is not involved in the fighting, for example, a surgeon, chaplain or nurse
Requisitioned	Taken by the government for military purposes

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