

## Ohlstrom – Engage with Primary Sources Activity

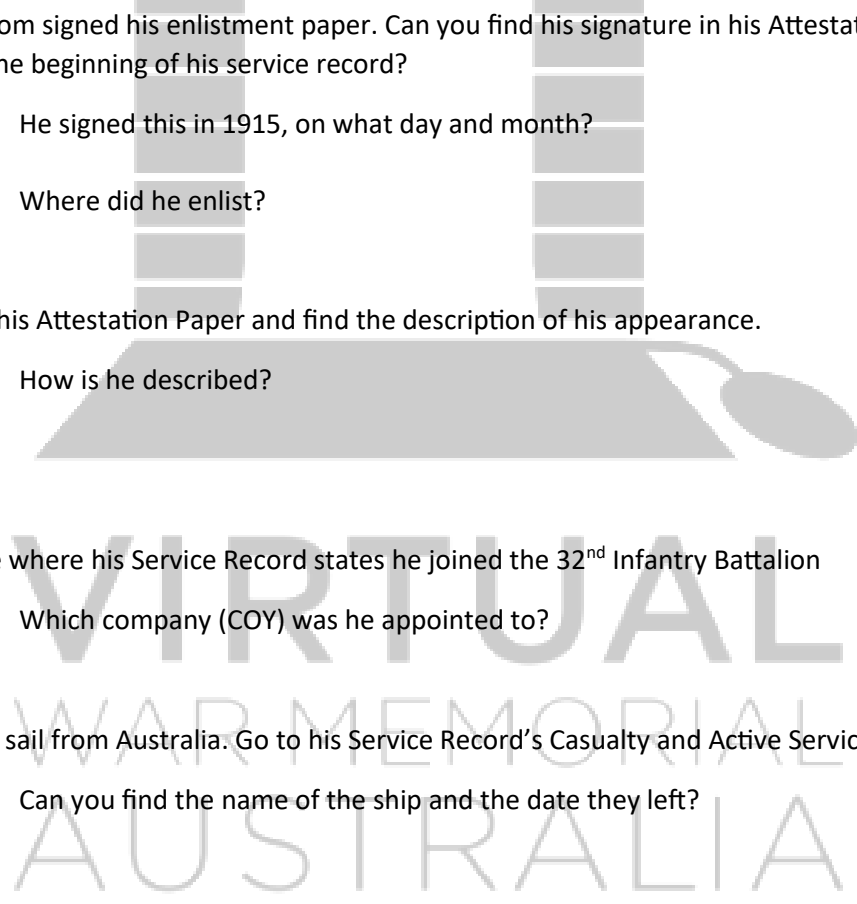
### What's needed?

Ohlstrom Short Film

Ohlstrom's service record and Red Cross Information Bureau record (attached to his profile:  
<https://vwma.org.au/explore/people/218858>)

### Instructions

Watch the clip in full. Watch it again pausing at the following timestamps to find the evidence in his Service Record to answer the questions:

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- 0:56 Ohlstrom signed his enlistment paper. Can you find his signature in his Attestation Paper near the beginning of his service record?
- He signed this in 1915, on what day and month?
  - Where did he enlist?
- 1:00 Go to his Attestation Paper and find the description of his appearance.
- How is he described?
- 1:07 Locate where his Service Record states he joined the 32<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Battalion
- Which company (COY) was he appointed to?
- 1:20 He set sail from Australia. Go to his Service Record's Casualty and Active Service Forms
- Can you find the name of the ship and the date they left?
- 2:02 They anchored at Ismalia, Suez. Check his service record to answer the following:
- What date did they disembark?
  - Calculate the length of his journey using the dates he left Australia and arrived at Suez

3:22 They left Alexandrina in June for the port of Marseilles, France. Check his service record to answer the following:

- h. On what day in June 1916
- i. What was the name of the ship?

6:53 After returning to the Somme, he was promoted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant.

- j. On what date?

7:15 He returned to Australia

- k. What was the name of the ship that returned him to Australia?

7:16 The journey home seemed longer than the one that took them to war

- l. When and where in England did he embark from, to return to Australia?

7:27 Once home it did not take long for the celebrations to finish.

- m. When and where did he disembark in Australia?

Go to the Red Cross Information Bureau information attached to his profile and answer the following:

- n. What date was Ohlstrom gassed?
- o. Which hospital was he first admitted to?
- p. Which hospital was he later transferred to?

Go to his Service Record:

- q. When was his appointment with the 1<sup>st</sup> AIF terminated?