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Images of War

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Images of war have been portrayed in various forms for thousands of years, from rock paintings in the Neolithic era to modern day cinema, memorials, and blogs on the internet. Developments in publishing and technology have resulted in images of war being transmitted to far wider audiences now than ever before. Posters, photographs and advertisements are frequently used as a medium to convey images of war, particularly propaganda, whilst today television, cinema, the internet, and interactive video games offer new dimensions to the way in which war is represented. Heritage sites, such as museums and memorials, further act as symbols of war through which past and recent conflicts are memorialized and commemorated. In a modern society where few will have first hand experience of war, images and other representations have an increasingly important influence in how the reality of war is perceived.

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