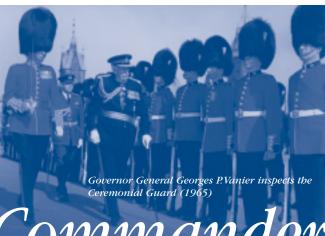
The Governor General is Commander-in-Chief of the Canadian Forces, and in this capacity visits bases, greets troops on their return from overseas missions and participates in other ceremonial functions. The Governor General also encourages and honours soldiers by awarding decorations to those who have distinguished themselves during their service.





Governor General Adrienne Clarkson presents the NATO Medal for Kosovo during ber visit to Donja Koretica, Kosovo (1999)

Some Governors General pursued a military career before being appointed. Among other things, they served their country by participating in the armed conflicts involving Canada. By referring to the four photos below, write the name of the Governor General corresponding to the following statements:

Commander-in-Chief

- a) His greatest claim to glory was the Canadian victory at Vimy Ridge in April 1917. He was appointed Governor General three years after the end of the First World War.
- b) He took part in the First World War, during which he lost a leg. One of the founding members of the Royal 22<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, he became Major-General in 1942.
- c) He persuaded King George V to release him from his appointment as Governor General to serve in the First World War. He was Governor General during the Second World War.

d) During the Second World War, he was a Major-General and commanded the First Division. He was the last Governor General of British origin.

Governor General Ramon J. Hnatysbyn presents the Gulf and Kuwait Medal (1991)

> Lord Byng (1921 - 1926)

Viscount Alexander (1946 - 1952)

The Earl of Athlone



MGen Georges P. Vanier (1959 - 1967)



Governor General Roméo LeBlanc with veterans during the Remembrance Day ceremony in Ottawa (1996-11-11)

3 On May 28, 2000, the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General of Canada and Commander-in-Chief of the Canadian Forces, participated in the funeral for Canada's Unknown Soldier. Here is part of what she said during her eulogy:



"Yet we give thanks for those who were willing to sacrifice themselves and who gave their youth and their future so that we could live in peace. With their lives they ransomed our future."

Canadian Peacekeeping Service Medal (obverse)

- a) What does the Unknown Soldier represent?
- b) Which war did he participate in?
- c) Where was he buried before his body was brought back to Canada?
- *d*) Where is his tomb now?
- e) What are your impressions of the eulogy? Explain.

- 2 The Governor General participates in the Remembrance Day ceremonies.
  - *a)* How does the Governor General participate?
  - b) What does Remembrance Day represent?
  - c) What is its date?
  - *d)* What is the significance of that date?



Wreath laid at the foot of the National War Memorial in Ottawa by the Governor General of Canada during the Remembrance Day ceremony