**Activities for…  
The Skylarks’ War by Hilary McKay**

**Activity 1**

On page 103, Vanessa mentions joining VAD: Voluntary Aid Detachment. Use the internet and books to find five interesting facts about VAD. You can illustrate your facts, create a PowerPoint or video presentation to show to the rest of the group.

**Activity 2**

Receiving and writing letters plays a huge part in this story. Write a letter or a postcard to someone you know **or** write a letter from the perspective of a soldier on the Western Front.

**Activity 3**

The author’s note at the back of this book is very interesting, as it gives you some follow up books to read. Why not put *War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo and *Things a Bright Girl Can Do* by Sally Nicholls, on your “*To Be Read”* pile?

**Activity 4**

If you visit the author’s web page (www.hiliarymckay.co.uk), you can see some artefacts that inspired the author to write this story. Gather three objects and create a story with them in it.