

Educational Resources

Canadian Military History  
Grade 4 and up



## Herbert Peterson

Read about [WO Peterson](https://valourcanada.ca/military-history-library/wo-herbert-peterson/) (https://valourcanada.ca/military-history-library/wo-herbert-peterson/) on Valour Canada's military history library online and answer the following:

For young learners (Grades 4 to 7)

1. How many Distinguished Flying Crosses did Peterson receive and why was he awarded these medals?
2. Study the photograph of the Halifax Bomber. Pick a country and design your own bomber plane. What colour would it be and why?
3. List five questions that you would like to ask WO Peterson about his experiences as a pilot during the Second World War.

For advanced learners (Grade 8 and up)

4. Choose two of your five questions and create step-by-step research plan that will help you find, or get much closer to, the answers you are looking for.
5. Imagine you are Peterson or a member of his flight crew. Describe your experiences in the sky, what dangers you encounter, and your thoughts on aircraft during the Second World War.
6. Now imagine you are a soldier manning the German AA (anti-aircraft) guns, shooting down Allied aircraft. Describe your experiences on the ground – what are your motives, how do you feel towards the Allied air campaign? Questions 5 and 6 are designed to offer two perspectives to WO Peterson's story and will be most effective if completed together.