Video Assignment – All Quiet on The Western Front

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You are to watch the 1979 edition of All Quiet on the Western Front and then answer the questions that follow. This assignment will be graded as a project.

1. Why do Paul and his friends join the Army?

2. Why is Himmelstoess (an ex-mailman) so cruel to the recruits?

3. How is Kemmerich treated at the hospital? Why is he treated in this manner?

4. Which advancements in science and technology during World War I were depicted in the battle scenes in All Quiet on the Western Front? Provide two examples.

5. What is the significance of Paul’s actions in the shell hole with the enemy soldier?
6. How does Himmelstoess change when he is assigned to the frontlines?

7. Why do the French girls accept the German soldiers who are ostensibly the enemy?

8. Why does Paul feel separate and different from his family and the citizens in his hometown when he goes to visit?

9. In what way is the death of Kat significant as a theme in the movie and what impact does it have on the character of Paul Baumer?

10. How is the title of the movie, *All Quiet on the Western Front*, ironic?