



An acrostic poem using words found in the story

Armies advance, attack the hill, Alzheimer's leads Gran astray

Run! Run through ruins, run through time, a race to remember

Message of sympathy, a mother's son, what does one man matter?

In the line of fire, imagine running for your life, win, Lily, win

Shells and snipers, shockwaves, faster, faster, she's sick after

Train for the terrain, stretched to the limit, too many letters

Inspiration, rub in dubbin, a million men facing a million men

Captain Whitaker, craters, carnage, show me Cumbria, come on, Lily

Enemies for an hour, Ernest held the record, medals, never again

Read the diary, revenge, relax into the race, she was ready

Up to the summit, thud, thud, guns, dugouts, Gran gives the best hugs

Nearly there, generations of runners, neck and neck, no noise today

Nothing, nothing as I closed in, no funeral, Fred never came home

Eleventh hour, eleventh day, eleventh month, the next entry

Ready to tell more, Wordsworth, a birth, Ernest, my friend for life

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