

- 8 Use your own knowledge and Sources B and D to answer this question.

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Outline how the experiences of trench warfare changed soldiers' attitudes to the war over time.

The initial response to the Great War ~~is~~ ~~Britain~~ was greeted with great excitement as British men enlisted in the glorified war. As source B illustrates however, the conditions of the war dramatically changed soldiers' attitudes to the war. "Not my idea of trenches" shows the despair that British soldiers felt in May 1915 due to horrific weather and trench conditions and shows how the attitudes of soldiers changed due to the influence of trench conditions. Source D further describes the conditions as "no 'proper' trenches, only weather-eroded muddy ditches" to explain decreasing morale as disease such as trench foot and dysentery and the impacts on the soldiers. Disease, giant rats and poor food in the trenches greatly describes the reasons for ^{the} changing attitudes of soldiers in regards to war over time in ~~context~~ conjunction with sources B and D.