Complete the diary extracts

Look at some more extracts from the soldier’s diary. Complete them with infinitive with ‘to’ or -ing.

Examples:
I’m afraid of dying here.
I’ve got to clean the trench this morning.

1. I’m very tired. The noise of the guns is so loud that I’m too scared _____________.
   (sleep)
2. I can’t wait ________________ the trenches. (leave)
3. I hate ________________ so far from my family. (be)
4. The commander wants us ________________ more. (work)
5. We’re all afraid of ________________ shot. (get)
6. The commander only allows us ________________ when all our jobs are done.
   (rest)

Discussion

Work in pairs and discuss the questions.

1. What have you learnt about life in the trenches?
2. How do you think the soldiers felt? Why?
3. What do you think was the most difficult part of their day? Explain why.