



World War I

# Modern World History



# The Events Leading to World War I

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# European Powers Before the War

Country	Leader	Stance in the World
1. Great Britain	King George V	Largest empire in the world. Most <b>powerful</b> navy.
2. Germany	Kaiser Wilhelm II	Unified in 1871. Most <b>powerful</b> army.
3. France	President Raymond Poincaré	Recently defeated by Germany. Lost Alsace-Lorraine.
4. Russia	Czar Nicholas II	Recently defeated by Japan. Largest Army in the world. The Czar is losing the faith of his people.
5. Austria-Hungary	Emperor Franz Josef	Weakening due to nationalist revolts in the Balkans.

# World Leaders of WWI



# M-A-I-N Causes of WWI

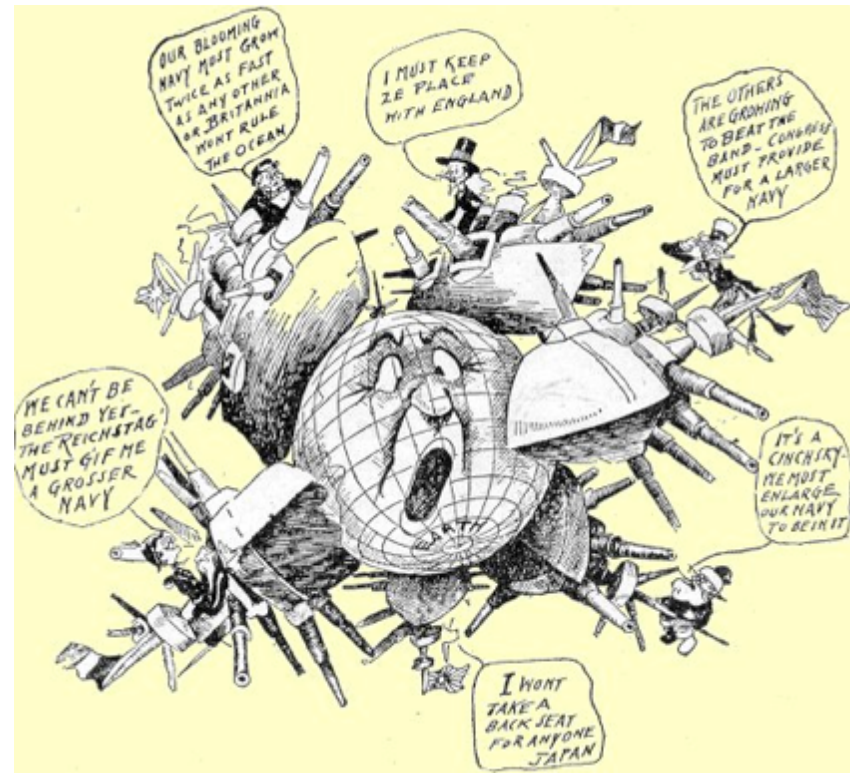
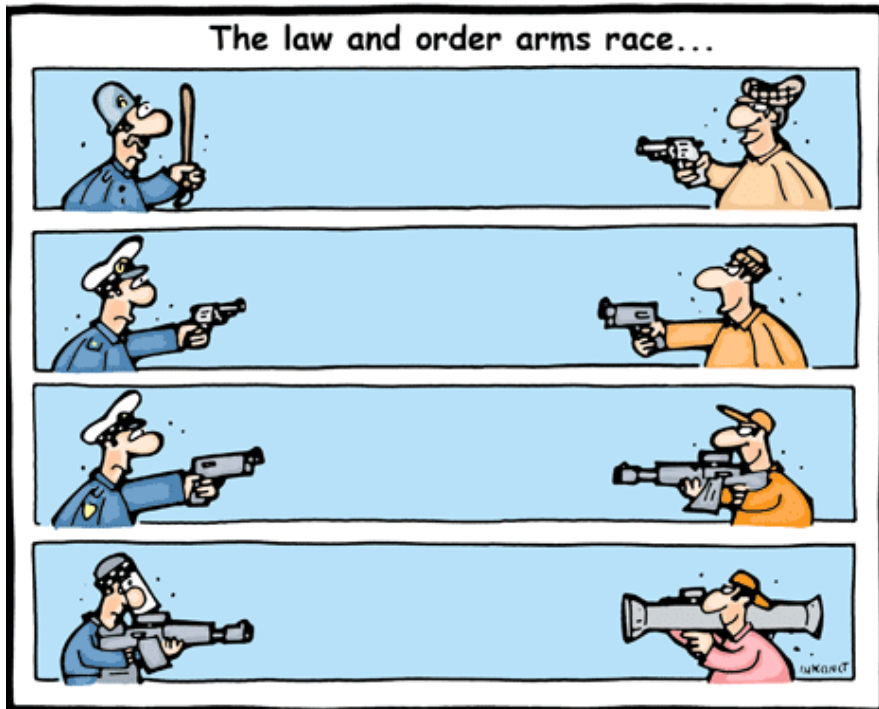
- Read each article and define each of the M-A-I-N causes of WWI.
- On the back answer the questions about the chart.

# MAIN Causes of World War I

- Define: Write what the word means.
- Summarize Letter: Write a description about what is going on in the letter.
- So What?: Write how this subject could cause a war.

# Militarism

- Militarism - Rapid building of military
  - Armies in Europe doubled in size
- Conscription- forced military service



# Militarism

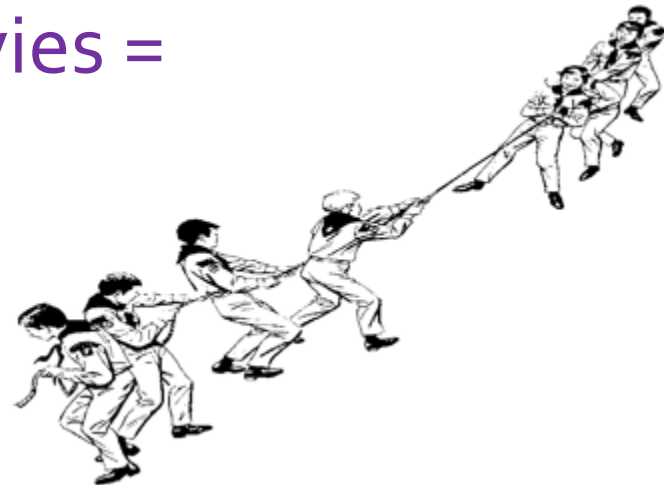
- Why might conscription cause demonstrations like those in this picture?





# Militarism

- The largest army was Russia
- Germany builds up navy to compete with Britain
- Bigger armies and navies = increased tension



# Alliances

- Alliance - Mutual support of one another in event of an attack
- **Triple Alliance:** Austria-Hungary, Germany, and Italy
- **Triple Entente:** France, Great Britain, and Russia
  - Entente – An Agreement



# Triple Entente

- **Triple Entente** - Served as a counterweight to Triple Alliance



- **France** wanted revenge against Germany for taking Alsace Lorraine
- **Russia** was protector of the Slavic world



# Imperialism

- Imperialism – The domination of one country by a stronger nation
- Most notably seen in Africa, China and India



# Nationalism

- Nationalism – Belief that one's loyalty should be to a nation sharing a common culture
- Countries were looking to extend their borders



# Nationalism

- France was upset over loss of Alsace-Lorraine

After Franco-Prussian War

France



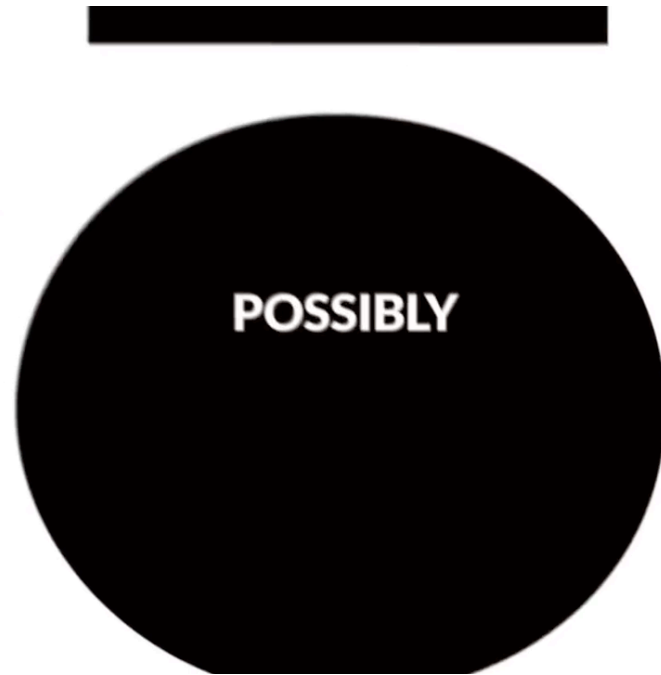
Germany



Austria-Hungary

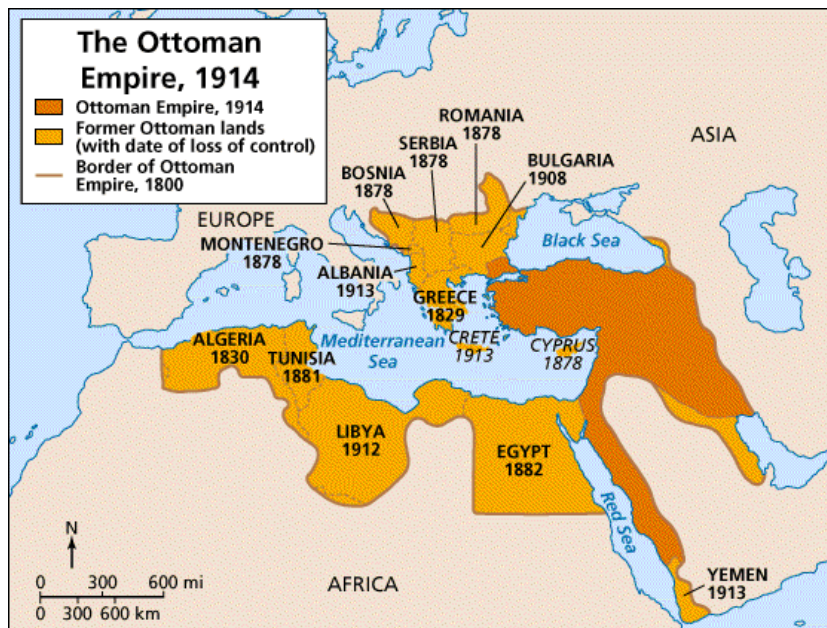


# MAIN Causes of WWI



# Balkan Crisis

- Ottoman Empire - Once powerful, now a failing empire
  - Known as the “Sickman of Europe”
- Austria-Hungary seeks to control this area





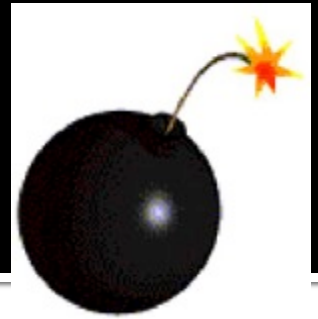


# Bosnia Issue

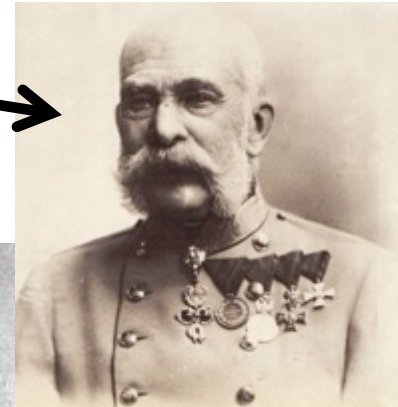
- ❑ Serbia wanted to include Bosnia in the Serbian Kingdom – Similar nationality
- ❑ Instead, Austria-Hungary annexes Bosnia
  - ❑ Annex – Taking land under control of a different power



# The Archduke



- Franz Ferdinand is heir to the Austrian throne.
  - Nephew of Emperor Franz Josef
- Serbia does not like him.

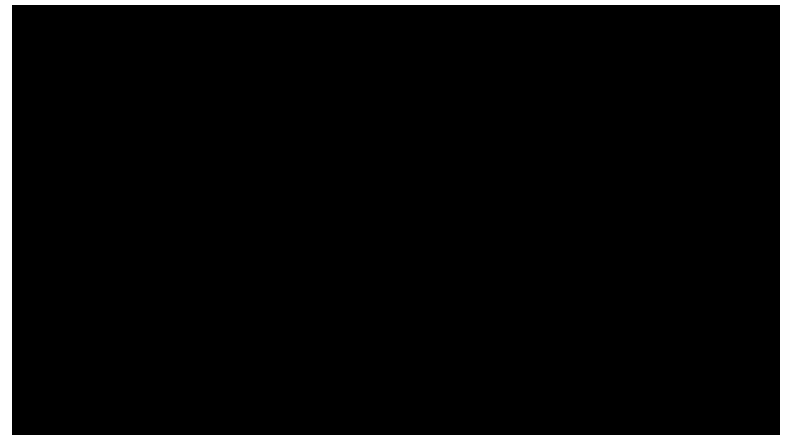


# Sarajevo, 1914

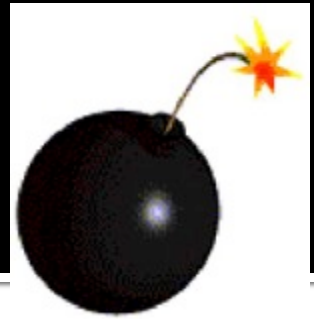
- Franz Ferdinand was assassinated by Gavrilo Princip, a Serbian nationalist.
  - Princip was the member of a terrorist organization called the Black Hand.



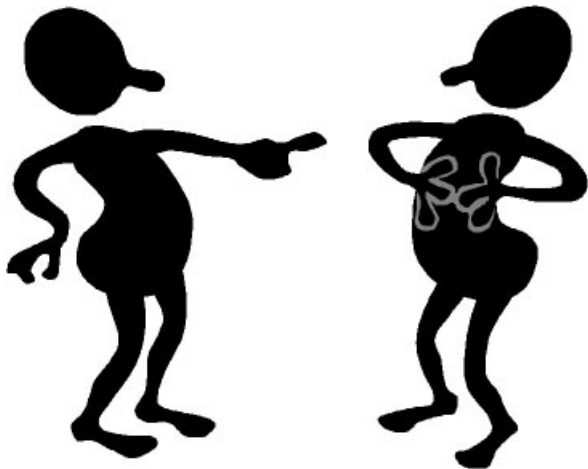
Gavrilo Princip



# The Ultimatum



- Austrian officials hold Serbian government responsible.
- Russia says it will protect Serbia – Germany says it will help Austria-Hungary punish Serbia



# Decision to Attack

- Germany and Austria make the decision to invade Serbia.
- They think they can defeat the Triple Entente

Kaiser Wilhelm II



Germany  
House of Hohenzollern

Emperor Franz Josef



Austria-Hungary  
House of Hapsburg

# Italy

- After Austria invaded Serbia, Italy backed out of the Triple Alliance and did not want to get involved.
- They would later join the Allies.

