

## Word War I Study Guide

- Nationalism
  - Extreme pride in your country, competitive tensions
- Militarism
  - Maintaining a large army that is ready for war, building up navy and army, creates arms race
- Alliances
  - Agreements between two or more countries, these are your friends, creates paranoia in Europe
- Imperialism
  - Attempt to build an empire (colonies), rivalries, fighting for markets
- Lusitania
  - British passenger ship, sunk by the Germans, carrying Americans. Caused many Americans to want to join the war
- Zimmerman Telegraph
  - Germany's attempt to get Mexico to attack the US in 1917 in exchange for US territory. Ultimately makes the US declare war on Germany
- Treaty of Versailles
  - Required Germany to make reparations for war damages, banned them from having a large military, and forced them to accept responsibility for the war
  - Harsh terms of the Treaty are believed to lead to World War II
- "Big Four"
  - US, Great Britain, France, Italy
- The Spark
  - Assassination of Archduke of Austria Hungary, Franz Ferdinand. This is the immediate cause of the war
- League of Nations
  - Promote peaceful relations throughout the world, wasn't ever given enough power to be successful
- Triple Entente (Allied Powers)
  - France, Great Britain, Russia
- Triple Alliance (Central Powers)
  - Germany, Italy, Austria-Hungary
- Weapons of World War I
  - Airplanes, Tanks, Poison Gas, Machine Guns
- Armistice
  - Cease-fire, happened on November 11, 1918
- Trench Warfare
  - Dig in and fight from trenches, stalemate- neither side gains anything