

World War I Timeline

Scattered throughout the room are events that occurred during World War I. Turn the card over to find out when the event occurred. Then, write the date next to the events listed on this handout.

_____ A German U-boat sinks the Lusitania killing 1,198 civilians, including 128 Americans.

_____ Allies begin a nine-month battle for the Turkish peninsula of Gallipoli.

_____ Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir to the throne of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and his
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_____ Armenian Genocide begins.

_____ At eleven o'clock on this day, war on the western Front ends as Germany and the Allies sign an Armistice.

_____ Austria-Hungary declares war on Russia.

_____ British cryptographers decipher a telegram from German Foreign Minister Arthur Zimmermann to the German Minister of Mexico.

_____ British nurse, Edith Cavell, is executed by the Germans.

_____ Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria-Hungary declares war on Serbia.

_____ Emperor Karl of Austria abdicates.

_____ German invasion of France is halted at the First Battle of the Marne.

_____ Germans on the banks of the Marne near Paris are stopped by American forces at Chateau-Thierry.

_____ Germany and Allies sign the Treaty of Versailles. The U.S. Senate later refuses to ratify it.

_____ Germany declares war on neutral Belgium and invades Belgium and Luxemburg as part of their Schlieffen Plan to quickly defeat France and avoid a two-front war. As a result, Great Britain declares war on Germany.

_____ Italy Joins the Allies.

_____ Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany abdicates.