

Bromsgrove and World War 1 Knowledge Organiser

Main Participating Countries			
Triple Entente		Triple Alliance	
Country	Flag	Country	Flag
France		Germany	
United Kingdom		Austria-Hungary	
Russia		Italy	
Other Countries Involved			
U.S.A		Ottoman Empire (Modern Turkey)	
		Bulgaria	

Timeline		
Event	Description	Date
Archduke Franz Ferdinand is assassinated	Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria is assassinated by a Serbian terrorist.	28 th June 1914
The war begins.	After Franz Ferdinand is killed, Austria-Hungary seek revenge and then countries declare war on each other, as a result of their Alliances.	August 1914
Trench Warfare	The German army is stopped short of Paris by British and French soldiers. Both sides dig in and trench warfare begins with only tiny gains achieved.	September 1914
Battle of the Somme	A famous battle in which both the British and German armies lost many casualties. Known as the worst day in British military history as there were 60,000 casualties on the first day.	1 st July - 18 th November 1916
America joins the war	The United States of America declares war on Germany, providing France and Britain with much needed financial and military support.	April 1917
Russia leaves the war	Following a revolution in Russia that sees new leaders, Russia signs an armistice that sees them withdraw from the war.	December 1917
Fighting comes to an end	An armistice is agreed that sees Germany admit defeat at the end of the war. Guns officially fall silent at 11am.	11 th November 1918



Key terms

Volunteer = Somebody who does something by choice.

Recruitment = Encouraging people to join the armed forces.

Alliance = Agreement between countries to support each other.

Arms race = A race between countries to gain the best weapons.

Nationalism = support for independence of a particular nation or people.

Assassination = murder

Black Hand Gang = A group of Serbian nationalists who assassinated Archduke Franz Ferdinand.



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