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WebQuest: Causes of World War I

This WebQuest is designed to help you to understand the causes of "The Great War" otherwise known as World War I.

1. Below you will see a list of what has been identified as the major causes of World War I. Using the information on the following website:
<http://www.historyonthenet.com/WW1/causes.htm> briefly describe how each of the following contributed to the ignition of the flame of war.
 - a. **Militarism**

 - b. **Alliances**

 - c. **Imperialism**
 - i. Briefly explain the Moroccan Crisis.

 - ii. Briefly explain the Bosnian Crisis.

 - d. **Nationalism**

European Alliances



1879 - The Dual Alliance

Who was involved?

For what purpose?



1881 - Austro-Serbian Alliance

Who was involved?

For what purpose?



1882 - The Triple Alliance

Who was involved?

For what purpose?



1894 - Franco-Russian Alliance

Who was involved?

For what purpose?



1904 - Entente Cordiale

Who was involved?

For what purpose?



1907 - The Anglo-Russian Entente

Who was involved?

For what purpose?



1907 - The Triple Entente

Who was involved?

For what purpose?

2. The United States enters the war in 1917. Using the following links: Briefly explain the reasons why the USA entered the war, despite their stance of neutrality.

a. Unrestricted Submarine Warfare (U-Boat): <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/germans-unleash-u-boats>

b. The Sinking of the Lusitania: <http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-i/lusitania>

c. The Zimmerman Telegram: <http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/zimmermann-telegram-published-in-united-states>

Life during the War

Trench War Fare: <http://www.longlongtrail.co.uk/soldiers/a-soldiers-life-1914-1918/life-in-the-trenches-of-the-first-world-war/>

Activity: Using the information from the link above about trench warfare, imagine that you are a soldier fighting in the trenches. Write a letter home describing the conditions in the trenches during World War I.

Dear _____,

Sincerely,

New Weapons and Technology of WWI

Several new weapons were used during WWI, these weapons made it possible for war to be fought in new and creative ways. Click on the link to find out more information about new technologies advances that took place during the Great War.

Instructions: Using the link below choose four new advancements sketch and describe how contributed to militarism during WWI.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/zs666sg#zsttfr>

Sketch Weapon/Technology

Description:

