

The Spark

1 Who was killed in the assassination?

2 Where did the murders take place?

3 Why did the murders take place?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

HEIR TO AUSTRIA'S THRONE IS SLAIN WITH HIS WIFE BY A BOSNIAN YOUTH TO AVENGE SEIZURE OF HIS COUNTRY

Francis Ferdinand Shot During State Visit to Sarajevo



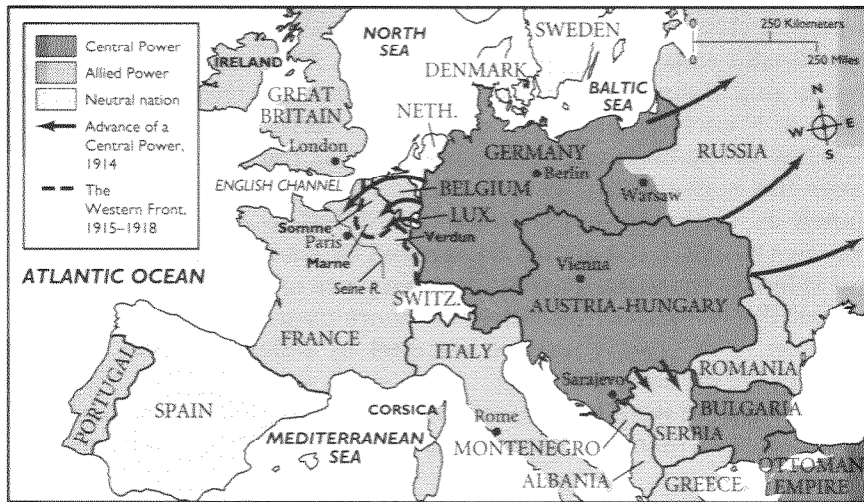
TWO ATTACKS IN A DAY

Archduke Saves His Life First Time by Knocking Aside a Bomb Hurlled at Auto.

SLAIN IN SECOND ATTEMPT

WHAT WERE THE CAUSES OF WORLD WAR I?

Document #1 (Map)

EUROPE IN WORLD WAR I

1. Name the three largest members of the Central Powers. _____,

2. Name the four WESTERN members of the Allied Powers. _____,
_____, _____, _____

3. Name the largest EASTERN members of the Allied Powers. _____

4. France and Great Britain had governments that were similar to our own **democratic** government. Germany and Austria-Hungary had **autocratic** governments (no limit to the power of each ruler). The United States entered World War I on the side of the _____ powers. Because

Document #2

Comparison of Naval Forces 1890-1910

France	Total Tonnage/Naval Ships 1890 2 million tons	Total Tonnage 1910 10 million tons
England	10 million tons	50 million tons
Germany	1 million tons	43 million tons

1. Which nation had the largest navy in 1910? _____
2. Which nation experienced the largest growth in naval forces? _____
3. Why would naval superiority be especially important to the English? _____

4. How would the English government have reacted to this chart? French? Why? _____

Document #3

“As a means of protecting ourselves from aggression, Germany and the Empire of Austria-Hungary have pledged to defend each other in case of military attack.”
-Secret Treaty of Otto von Bismarck, German Chancellor, 1888.

“We intend to defend all Slavic peoples ("cousins" of the Russians) in the Austria Hungary Empire from attack by their emperor or any other foreign power. We will take up arms to the last man, if necessary.”
-Secret Treaty signed by Czar Nicholas II, Russian Ruler

1. How might these secret treaties have lead to war between Russia and Germany?

Document #4

“The French wanted revenge for the loss of territory to Germany in the Franco-Prussian War in 1871. England resented the growing economic and military strength of Germany. Germany resented the desire of France and England to keep Germany weak and underdeveloped. Russia resented the growing influence of Germany in Eastern Europe. Pride and love in one's country would eventually turn to hate and mistrust of other countries.”

How did nationalism help to start World War I? _____

Document #5



1. Is England being shown in a positive or a negative way? Why? _____

2. How are the other nations reacting to England? _____

3. How might this cartoon help to explain why World War I began? _____

Document #6

“Archduke Ferdinand, heir to the throne of the Austria-Hungary Empire was visiting Serbia, one of the Empire's many Slavic territories in Eastern Europe. As his car passed through Sarajevo, a young Serbian nationalist, who hated the Empire for refusing to grant Serbia independence, shot and killed the Archduke. Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia.”

Refer to document #3. How would Russia respond to this declaration of war? Why? _____

How would Germany respond to Russia's reaction? Why? _____

Document #7

Colonial Possessions in Africa (1914)

Germany	France	England	Italy
Togo, Cameroon, Southwest Africa, East Africa	Senegal, Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria, Ivory Coast, Dahomey, Equatorial Africa.	Egypt, Sudan, Uganda, Kenya, Nigeria, Gold Coast, South Africa, Rhodesia	Libya, Somaliland, Eritrea

1. Why would Germany be resentful of France and England? _____

2. Why would England and France be fearful of Germany taking colonies in Africa? _____