

**Objective:** Analyze and explain how and why the buildup of militaries, the formation of alliances and the desire for imperial expansion were considered main causes of World War I.

**Task:** Create an animated map of Europe (on a vertical sheet of computer paper) illustrating the major alliances, growth of militaries and imperial powers prior to the outbreak of World War I.

*Include the following on your map:*

- Draw the map of Europe (**make sure it is pre-WWI**) on the middle of your paper
- **12 points** Pre World War I Alliances
  - Create a key – locate, label and color the members of the *Triple Alliance* and *Triple Entente*
- **5 points** Other Significant Areas
  - On your map key designate a color for “Other Areas”
    - Locate, label and color the following areas
      - Switzerland
      - Belgium
      - Netherlands
      - Luxemburg
      - Serbia
      - Bosnia
      - Sarajevo (capital of Bosnia so mark with a star only)
      - Meditterean Sea
      - Ottoman Empire
      - “The Balkans”
- **6 points** Military Growth of Alliances (data is located in your note packet)
  - On your map key designate a symbol to represent military power (i.e. tank, ship, helmet, etc)
    - Label on each nation in the *Triple Alliance* and *Triple Entente* their military strength pre-WWI
- **4 points** Naval Power
  - On your map in the waterways around Britain, symbolize the naval power of Britain. Then, symbolize the u-boat threat pending from Germany using a CARTOON depiction.
    - Draw an arrow from the symbols to the upper portion of your paper and answer the following: Why would the British military power lead them to create an alliance [use detail and data]?
- **6 points** Imperial Power of Alliances
  - On your map, symbolize with a CARTOON depiction the imperial power of the *Triple Entente* and *Germany* (German leaders desire imperial power, however, such aspirations are difficult to achieve in the early 20th century)
    - Draw an arrow from these symbols to the lower portion of your paper and answer the following: (1) Explain how imperial desire would push Germany to spend so much on military growth pre-WWI [use detail and data]. (2) Analyze the membership of both pre-WWI alliances and explain how the imperial desires influenced the formation of such alliances [use detail and data].
- **5 points** The Schlegflein Plan
  - On your map, outline the military strategy devised in this plan
    - Draw an arrow from the outline to the upper portion of your paper and answer the following: (1) Explain which alliance would have an advantage of war from a *geographic perspective* with an explanation of **WHY** they had the advantage. (2) Explain how the Schlegflein Plan aimed to eliminate the advantage [use detail and data].
- **4 points** Nationalism in the Balkans
  - On your map in “The Balkan” area, symbolize with a CARTOON depiction the issues in the area in relation to the ethnic groups
    - Draw an arrow from the symbol to the lower portion of your paper and answer the following: How could the nationalism within the Balkans - when linked with the other causes (militarism, alliances & imperialism) - lead to war?

# Pre-World War I Map

