

World War I Study Guide

Name: _____ Date: _____ Period: _____ Score: _____

1. List the 4 causes of World War I, then explain why each caused war.
 - a. M:
 - i. Why?
 - b. A:
 - i. Why?
 - c. I:
 - i. Why?
 - d. N:
 - i. Why?
2. What countries formed the Triple Alliance?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
3. What countries formed the Triple Entente?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
4. Why are alliances considered entangling?
5. Why did the nations of the Triple Alliance make a vow of protection?
6. Why did the nations of the Triple Entente join forces?
7. Define militarism.
8. Why would nations increase militaries prior to World War I?
9. Why did Germany spend a lot of time and money building up their military?
10. Which country had the weakest military and why?
11. Why was the u-boat created pre-World War I (be specific - who created and why)?
12. What is the significance of the term “powder keg?”
13. What was the Schlieffen Plan?
14. Define nationalism.
15. Why did Austria-Hungary oppose the formation of the Great Serbian state?
16. How did nationalism affect the ethnic groups within the Austria-Hungary empire?
17. What area caused tension between Austria-Hungary and Serbia?
18. Explain how Serbian nationalism caused the spark of World War I (be detailed - LONG answer).
19. How does the creation of the Black Hand in Serbia symbolize they have extreme nationalism?
20. How did imperialism create a competition between the two alliances pre-World War I?
21. Since imperialism was not a viable option for Germany, how did they look to gain land?
22. What was the spark that started World War I?
23. Which country declared war first to start the dominos of World War I to fall?
24. What year did World War I begin?
25. What year did World War I end?