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World War I Study Guide

Vocabulary

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Balkan Crisis

Schlieffen Plan

Bolsheviks

Vladimir Lenin

Soviets

October Revolution

Mensheviks

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

Treaty of Brest-Litovsk

War of Attrition

Big Four

League of Nations

War Guilt Clause

Guided Questions

1. Why was the Archduke Franz Ferdinand assassinated?
2. The Archduke was an important guy – for Austria. Austria was a fairly minor country by the early 1900s. Explain how the assassination of such an individual led to a world-wide war.
3. Who were the members of the Central Powers?

4. Who were the members of the Allied Powers?
5. Why were the Russians so angry with the Tsar?
6. Why did Alexander Kerensky fail to create a Western-style Republic?
7. What were Lenin's promises to the people of Russia?
8. How was the Red Army of the Bolsheviks able to win the Civil War?
9. What was the war like on the Western front?
10. Why did the U.S. join the war effort?
11. What is an Armistice? Why is the date of the Armistice still significant today?
12. What did U.S. President Woodrow Wilson want from a peace treaty? Why was he unable to achieve it?
13. Why did the Big Four want to punish Germany?
14. What was the result of the Treaty of Versailles for the Middle East? Why was this problematic?