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## **Unit 7: World War I**

**Overview:** In 1914 the world entered into a conflict that would be called “The Great War”, “The War to end all Wars”, and eventually World War I. This was the deadliest conflict the world had ever seen and it started from a tiny incident in a corner of the world most Americans had never heard of.

### **Vocabulary and Terms:**

- 1) Mania                      militarism                      alliance                      nationalism  
    Assassination              imperialism                      Archduke Franz Ferdinand
  
- 2) trench warfare              u-boat                      Central Powers              stalemate  
    Allied Powers              neutral                      no-man’s land  
   mustard gas                      machine gun
  
- 3) Lusitania                      Zimmerman note                      Russian Revolution  
    Mobilize                      Selective Service Act                      Liberty Bonds  
    Propaganda                      War Industries Board
  
- 4) American Expeditionary Force                      Battle of Belleau Wood  
    John J. Pershing              armistice              convoy              Harlem Hellfighters
  
- 5) casualties                      Treaty of Versailles                      League of Nations  
    Fourteen Points                      reparations              influenza

### **Essential Questions:**

- 1) What does the acronym “MANIA” mean and how did this cause World War I?
- 2) Why was World War I so much deadlier and destructive than any war before it in history?
- 3) Why did most Americans want to stay out of the war?
- 4) What events led to the United States fighting in WW I?
- 5) How did America mobilize for the war?
- 6) What advantage did the Americans bring to the Allied Powers?
- 7) Was the Treaty of Versailles a failure or a success? Explain.

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**Unit 7 - World War I - GR # 1**

**Directions** - Read pages 720-724 in your textbook. As you read, answer the following questions in the form of a complete sentence. Write the page number also.

- 1) What area of land had Germany taken from France in the Franco-Prussian War?
  
- 2) What nations were the main members of the Central Powers?
  
- 3) At the beginning of the war, what were the main nations that made up the Allied Powers?
  
- 4) What were the geographic endpoints of the "Western front?"
  
- 5) What was the area of land between the trenches known as?
  
- 6) Name three new weapons or improvements to weapons that made World War I so deadly.
  
- 7) How much cargo was destroyed by U-boats between 1914 and 1918?

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**Directions** - Read pages 725 - 729 and answer the following questions based on your reading. Answers should be in the form of a complete sentence. Write the page number.

- 1) After the attack on the Lusitania, who resigned from their position in the U.S. government?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 2) What was the official position of Arthur Zimmerman?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 3) What two laws were passed to prevent people from freely criticizing the war?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 4) What government agency was charged with making sure there was enough food for our troops, citizens and allies?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 5) What court case ruled that the Espionage Act was constitutional?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 6) Who was the first female member of Congress?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- 7) Name two roles women played in the U.S. military.

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**Directions:** Read pages 730-734 and answer the following questions in the form of a complete sentence. Write the page number.

1) What was the name of the treaty that allowed Russia to leave the war?

2) What river was the site of the battle that stopped the German advance towards Paris?

3) What did Sergeant York do that earned him fame as an American soldier?

4) Where did Kaiser Wilhelm II go into exile when he left Germany?

5) What French military awards was given to the Harlem Hellfighters?

6) When did the cease-fire go into effect?

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**Directions:** Read pages 735 - 739 and answer the following questions in the form of a complete sentence. Write the page number.

- 1) What percentage of young men in France were killed or wounded during World War I?
- 2) According to the reading, what was the total combined financial cost of the war?
- 3) Where did the "Spanish" flu epidemic begin?
- 4) What was the name of President Wilson's plan for peace in the post-war world?
- 5) Name three new independent countries created by the Treaty of Versailles.
- 6) What international peacekeeping organization did not include the United States as a member despite the fact that it was President Wilson's idea?