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Social Studies 9 Unit 5 The War to End War

5A Europe before WWI

Reference Cranny, M., Moles, G. (2010). *Counterpoints: Exploring Canadian Issues*. Toronto: Prentice Hall. ---> p. 22-31 -- have a read through these pages before or during lesson 3A

Focus Questions

- Why did World War One start?
- Where did Canada fit in to the Global Empires and struggle for power?

Instructions: examine the handout (or an online source) showing five "empires" which existed just prior to World War I and answer the following chart and questions. Some cells may remain blank.

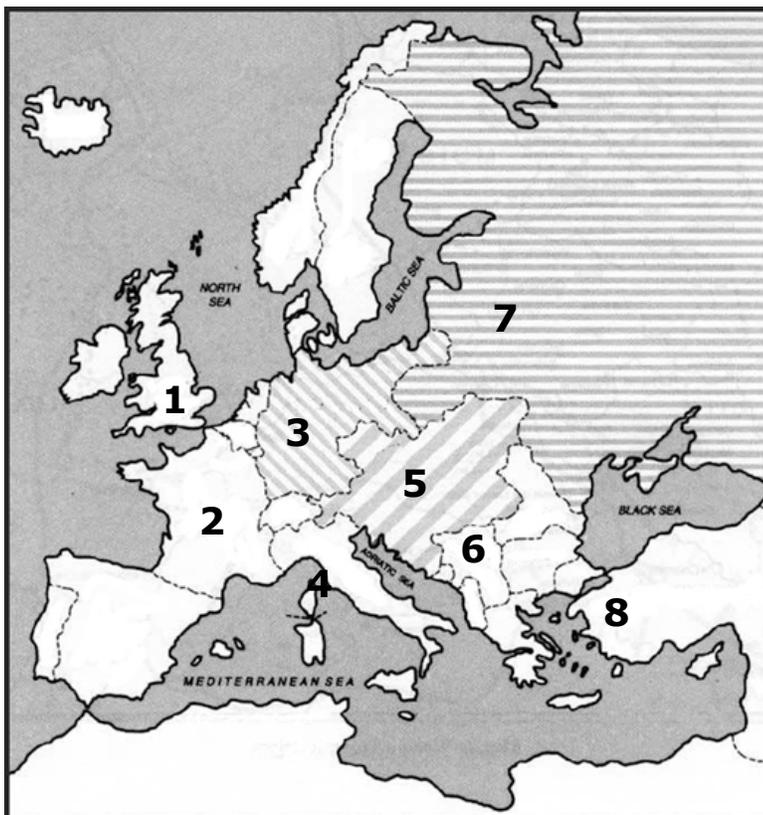
Country	Britain	Germany	Russia	Austria-Hungary	France
Population					
Number of Colonies					
Size of Colonies					
Population of Colonies					
Size of Army					
Size of Navy					
Coal Output each year					
Steel Output each year					

1. Which country had the biggest overseas empire in 1914?
2. Which of the other two nations with overseas empires (colonies) would you say was stronger than the other? Explain your answer.

3. Which country had the biggest army?
4. Which country had the biggest navy?
5. Why do you think countries kept such large armed forces?

6. Which of the five had the strongest industrial output?
7. Which of the five had the largest population?
8. Using the evidence you have gathered, which country do you think was the leading world power in 1914? Before deciding, ask yourself what makes a country strong. Is it the size of the army, its industry, its trade, or some kind of combination?

9. See if you can identify the following countries as they existed before WWI:



- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.

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10. What do you already know about WWI? Do you any of the battle in which Canada took part? Do you have a personal connection (e.g. an ancestor who was in military service)?

11. Read p. 25. What were two other names for WWI? Why are these names ironic (don't really fit given what actually happened)?

12. Complete the following "**MANIAC**" chart (use info from Keynote and/or other sources

Main Idea	Supporting Details from Keynote Presentation	Example from Keynote	Additional details from text, online, or other sources
MANIAC	acronym for remembering causes of WWI		
M			e.g. p. 26
A			e.g. p. 28
N			e.g. p. 27 and p. 29

Main Idea	Supporting Details from Keynote Presentation	Example from Keynote	Additional details from text, online, or other sources
I			p. 26
A			bottom p. 29
C			p. 30

13. Examine the cartoon on p. 26. What's the message (interpret the cartoon)?

14. Read over p. 31 and examine the cartoon. Which nation does each character represent (in order)? What's the message (interpret the cartoon)?