

WW1 Knowledge Organiser

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Main Participating Countries			
Allied Countries		Central Powers	
Country	Flag	Country	Flag
France		Germany	
United Kingdom		Austria-Hungary	
Italy		Ottoman Empire (Modern Turkey)	
Russia		Bulgaria	
U.S.A			

Important Names

Gavrilo Princep

Archduke Franz Ferdinand

King George V

Lord Kitchener

TE Lawrence

Nurse Edith Cavell

Vocabulary

Allied Forces	Central Powers
<u>home-front</u>	Front-line
<u>recruit</u>	conscription
<u>treaty</u>	truce
<u>trenches</u>	warfare
<u>artillery</u>	munitions
<u>zeppelin</u>	<u>u-boat</u>
Armistice	remembrance

Major Events		
Event	Description	Date
Archduke Franz Ferdinand is assassinated	Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria is assassinated by a Serbian terrorist. Following a number of threats, Austria-Hungary declares war on Serbia.	28 th June 1914 28 th July 1914
Other nations begin to join the war	Germany declares war on Russia in support of Austria-Hungary before declaring war on France. Following a German invasion of Belgium, Britain declares war on Germany.	August 1914
Trench Warfare	The German army is stopped short of Paris by British and French soldiers. Both sides dig in and trench warfare begins with only tiny gains achieved.	September 1914 before continuing throughout
Battle of the Somme	The French and British fought against the Germans for 5 months. More people were killed in this battle than any other in the First World War.	July – Nov 1916
America joins the war	The United States of America declares war on Germany, providing France and Britain with much needed financial and military support.	April 1917
Russia leaves the war	Following a revolution in Russia that sees new leaders, Russia signs an armistice that sees them withdraw from the war.	December 1917
Fighting comes to an end	An armistice is agreed that sees Germany admit defeat at the end of the war. Guns officially fall silent at 11am.	11 th November 1918