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YEAR 8 - History - World War I

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- You will learn about the causes of the war, analysing concepts such as imperialism, militarism and nationalism. Once completed, you move onto the outbreak of WWI and study life and work in the trenches, focusing on decisive battles such as the Somme. Moving on, you will also analyse recruitment and conscription and delve into the historical skill of interpretation. Finally, you will conclude your learning by studying the armistice of 1918. Once fully informed you then must consider what the most appropriate way of 'marketing' the fallen soldiers of WWI is.

- Your previous studies in Year 7 – Earlier references to imperialism and nationalism within the Going Abroad Unit will support your learning in this topic as it will give you the foundation knowledge of their meanings and therefore be able to apply them to the context of WWI.

- This study will also come in useful when you study Medicine on the Western Front in Year 9 (students will have context of trench warfare) and Weimar and Nazi Germany in Year 10 (students will have the context regarding the end of the war and the rise of nationalism in Germany during the 1920's)

Key Vocabulary (T2)	Key Vocabulary (T3)	Core knowledge	Disciplinary Skills
Alliances, Trenches, Stalemate	Remembrance, Propaganda and Armistice	Rival alliances, militarism, imperial tensions, and the assassination at Sarajevo. A focus on trench warfare, stalemate, total war and propaganda. Key turning points, global involvement, mass casualties, and the 1918 armistice show how the war reshaped nations, societies, and international relations.	Significance Evidence Interpretations

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Checkpoint: **Vocab/ Knowledge/ Disciplinary skill(s)**	**What does this assessment look like?**	**Which disciplinary skills do I need to be successful?**
Checkpoint 1: Causes of WWI learning map	A resource that identifies, describes and explains each of the causes of World War I	Significance Cause and Effect
Checkpoint 2: 20 question quiz on content studied	A 20 question quiz on Quizziz/Weyground containing the causes of WWI, trench warfare, recruitment and armistice.	Recall and Retrieval Significance

Milestone assessment: What does your assessment look like?		
How should we remember the fallen soldiers of WWI? Create a project to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding.	A written piece explaining the project, including a justification as well as a final project. (Model, poetry etc.)	Significance Evidence Interpretations

How can I achieve in this topic?

- Complete all tasks in class
- Complete on missed learning
- Complete tasks in homework booklet
- Use revision support material to prepare you for assessments
- Use excellence models, scaffolds and success criteria

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