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## Causes of World War I

*"The Great War was without precedent ... never had so many nations taken up arms at a single time. Never had the battlefield been so vast...never had the fighting been so gruesome..."*

- What do you already know about World War I?

### The M.A.I.N Causes of World War I

- Militarism –
- Alliances –
- I – trying to build up an empire
- Nationalism –

#### Militarism

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- \_\_\_\_\_ . The standing armies of France and Germany doubled in size between 1870 and 1914.
- Naval expansion was also extremely competitive, particularly between \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Russia wanted:
- Germany began:

#### Alliance

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1. How could Germany's location in Europe be a problem for them?
2. How did Germany solve this problem?
3. What was the Triple Alliance?
4. What was the triple Entente? How did it threaten the triple Alliance?

### Imperialism

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- These countries competed for economic expansion in Africa.
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### Nationalism

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- In the 19<sup>th</sup> century,
- \_\_\_\_\_ was at the center of the nationalist movement in an area of Europe known as the \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ was an enemy because Serbs in Austria-Hungary wanted to unite with Serbia and create a larger Serbian state

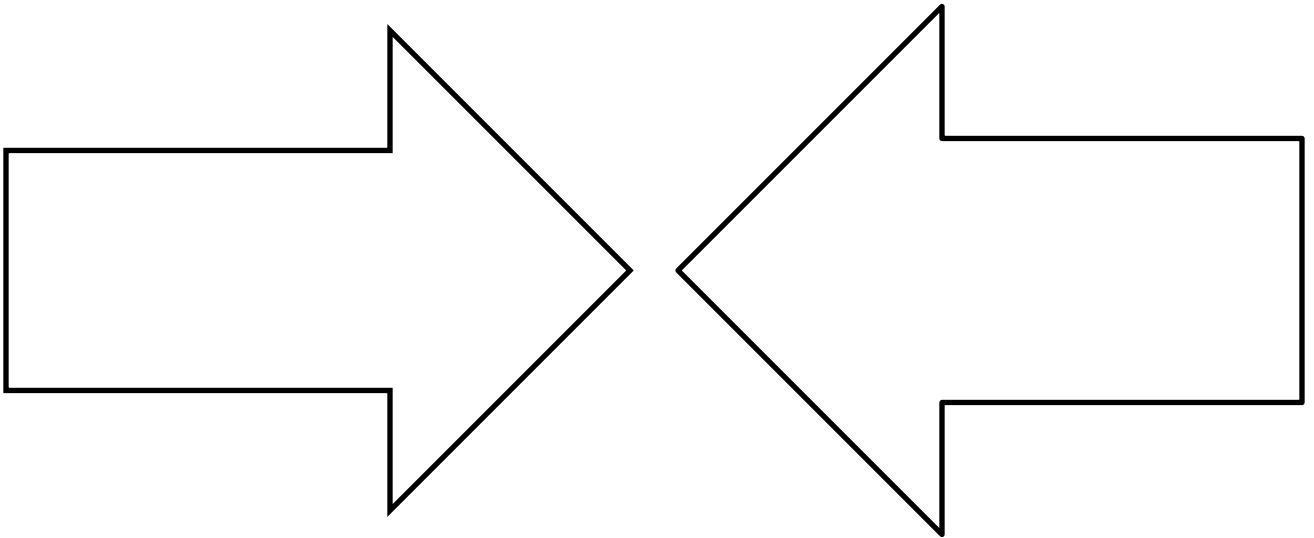
### What sparked it all?

- Please describe the event that sparked the 1<sup>st</sup> World War

The events that followed...

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World War One



Do you think there was any way that War could have been avoided? Why or why not?