



History Knowledge Organiser

KS2 The Great Wars Y6

WW1

Key Vocabulary	
alliance	An agreement between two or more people, groups or countries to support each other.
armistice	An agreement by countries at war to stop fighting.
assassinated	The act of murdering someone (usually an important person).
colonised	One country taking control of another country.
declare	To announce.
invade	To enter an area and forcibly take control.
rationed	Being given a food allowance when food is in short supply.

Knowledge to remember	
July 28th 1914 - November 11th 1918 - Many European countries formed alliances. The Triple Alliance was formed in 1882. The Triple Entente was formed in 1907. - Because of the different power struggles and alliances, there was tension and distrust amongst some countries across Europe. - In 1914 Austria- Hungary ruled Bosnia. Many Bosnians did not like Austria and wanted to be a free country. - The Archduke Franz Ferdinand was to become the next Emperor of Austria. A group known as the Black Hand wanted to kill the archduke. - Whilst visiting troops in Sarajevo (the capital city of Bosnia), the archduke was assassinated by Gavrilo Princip (a member of the Black Hand group). - As Gavrilo Princip was from Serbia, Austria blamed the Serbian government for the attack and declared war on Serbia. Due to the alliances between countries, this resulted in many other countries declaring war on each other and was the start of World War 1.	
The Triple Entente / The Allies	The Triple Alliance / The Central Powers
 United Kingdom	 Germany
 France	 Italy
 Russia	 Austria-Hungary
	The USA was a major trading partner with Britain. In April 1917, the USA declared war against Germany for attacking their trading ships around Britain.