



Topic: War and Peace WWI



Vocabulary

Aliance	An agreement made between two or more people, groups of people or countries support each other and are known as allies.
armistice	An agreement by countries at war to stop fighting.
Assassinated	The act of murdering someone, usually used when it happens to someone important.
declare	To make an announcement
invade	To enter an area and forcible take control.
Primary source	An artefact or evidence from the time eg photo, letter, newspaper
Triple Alliance	The agreement between Germany, Austria-Hungary, and Italy
Triple Entente	The agreement between France, UK, Russia
The Treaty of Versailles	This was the agreement signed by the allies and Germany where Germany took full responsibility for the war and agreed to pay damages

Significant People



Archduke Franz Ferdinand

Archduke Franz Ferdinand's assassination by the Black Hand gang began the hostilities although Germany had been manoeuvring towards war for a while. His death prompted Serbia to declare war on Austria-Hungary, Germany supported Austria. Russia began moving its army. Germany declared war on Russia then France. Britain supporting its allies declared war on Germany.



Significant Structure

Visit to Galgate war memorial

Key Questions and Facts

Why did World War I begin?	War was declared on 28 th July 1914. Countries were keen to colonise the world and Germany had not as many colonies as France or Britain. It wanted more land, resources and power. The assassination of Ferdinand was the ignition for the tensions that had been bubbling away to ignite into war.
What are trenches?	Trenches are ditches dug out of the earth to protect the soldiers from enemy fire. Trenches were dug from Switzerland in the south all the way to the coast in in France and Belgium. The trenches were dug quickly in what became known as 'The race to the sea'
What was life like in the trenches?	Soldiers spent up to two weeks in the trenches, they would follow a strict routine which meant they were up at 5am to 'Stand to' in case of an attack. The trenches were dirty containing rats and the soldiers developed 'trench foot' and suffered with lice. The food was poor quality - mainly tinned.
How did World War I effect Galgate?	Two hundred men from Galgate left to fight in the war, twenty were killed and many were injured. The effect on the local area was immense. Use of primary sources.

Timeline of the War

