

IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF WWI
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IMPERIALISM
Competition for colonies in Africa
France + Germany in
Middle East + South Pacific

NATIONALISM

1. National pride - England, France, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Russia want to be #1
2. Submerged Nationalities of Balkans + Austria-Hungary want independence
3. Russian support of Pan-Slavism
4. France wants revenge + Alsace-Lorraine

1. Germany building navy - Britain worried
2. Draft → Huge, well-trained standing armies + Reserves
3. Arms Race

MILITARISM

SECRET ALLIANCES

- Germany with Austria-Hungary
- Italy with Germany + Austria-Hungary } Triple Alliance
- France with Russia
- Britain with France
- Britain with Russia
- Russia with Serbia } Triple Entente
- Non-Secret Treaty - Britain, France, Germany, Austro-Hungary, Russia all pledged to defend Belgium

CAUTION: EXPLOSIVES

PRIMARY CAUSES OF W.W.I.