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Unit Six: World War I: 1914-1918

After completing our unit on Imperialism, we see that Europe is more global and much more competitive. Western nations have succeeded in a “second age of exploration” which gave them access to and ownership of new lands rich in natural resources. The question that remains is this: Will these nations be able to hold on to their new empires & what will they need to do to protect their interests around the globe?

OUTLINE FOR WORLD WAR I

1. The Stage is Set for War
2. War Consumes Europe
3. The War from 1914-1916
4. The Tide Turns: 1917-1918
5. The Treaty of Versailles and Aftermath

By 1871, the 5 great powers in Europe: 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and 5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ had new competition with another growing power: 6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Extreme nationalism changed the face of Europe. **Italy** was able to fight foreign takeover by unifying their states in 1870. **Germany**, after fighting with France and Austria, was also able to unify its states in 1871. Germany was eager to expand and show that it was just as powerful as Britain and France. Germany also had a feeling of superiority. It believed that German *KULTUR* (culture) was superior. This helped to fuel Germany’s desire and eagerness to compete and create spheres of influence throughout Europe and beyond.

In **Eastern Europe** three empires were suffering:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - weakened by two wars, territorial loss, and unrest among the Slav population
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - the “sick man of Europe,” territorial loss, Russian invasion and nationalist uprisings
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - economic problems including weak industry and inefficient agriculture, serfdom, political tensions caused by stern rulers, government corruption and poor education

The **BALANCE OF POWER** achieved by the Congress of Vienna was now disrupted. Europe had experienced 30 years of peace following the Napoleonic Wars. BUT there were 4 MAIN factors that set the stage for war…

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