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Europe in Crisis – Class 3 – World War I Concept Questions

Review

- What country did Austria issue an ultimatum against right before the start of WWI?
- What year did World War I start?
- German culture placed an emphasis on militarism. What German state is most responsible for this aspect of German culture?

The Western Front

- Who initiated the attack at the Battle of Verdun?
- Who initiated the attack at the Battle of the Somme. Why?
- What were two kinds of poison gas used in WWI?
- Briefly explain the strategy behind trench warfare.
- What was "no man's land"
- List and explain two reasons why trench warfare resulted in a stalemate on the Western Front.
- What is total war?
- What were two common reactions that veterans of WWI had?
- Who wrote All Quiet on the Western Front?

The Russian Revolution

- What did "Bloody Sunday" launch in Russia?
- Who was the tsar of Russia during WWI? Who was his wife? What dynasty are they part of?
- What are some reasons why the Russian people were unhappy with the way the war was going?
- The Romanovs loose power after the...
- What is a Soviet?
- After the February Revolution, the people have two main demands. What are they? Is the provisional government meeting these demands?
- In the fall of 1917, the communists take power. Who leads them? What is their party called?
- What is the result of the Brest Livstiok Treaty of 1918?