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World War One was a war known as 'the war to end all wars' as it was so big that people thought no-one would start another war after it. World War One started on July 1914 and ended on November, 1918, 17 million died and over 100,000 soldiers were injured. World War One started by the assassination of the Archduke of Austria-Hungarian Empire which then led to Militarism, Alliances, Imperialism and Nationalism. These were all events that led to war.

A long term cause of war is militarism (part of M.A.I.N) it was the build up of military to be complete for the war and the war wouldn't happen without it. A buildup of training, and gaining people to go to the war had begun. Nations made countries join them to hope for a bigger army. This was known as the 'Arms Race'. To get people to sign up they would make it seem that war was amazing and if you joined, it would be a glorious experience. This caused many people to sign up and create a stronger army. Warship sizes increased, guns and their speeds were fixed and the quality in armor was improved, this all happened roughly in 1906. This all led to jealousy, creating Germany to want to build a big Naval Army like Britain, so then Germany and France tried to have bigger armies than each other. In 1914 Germany managed nearly 100 warships and 200 million trained soldiers, making a massive army. The increase in Militarism helped push countries to get involved in war and make it bigger, than needed, making it jumpstart World War One.

Alliances were agreements made between countries to help each other in the event of a war. It was felt that forming alliances but alliances caused more and more conflict due to other mini wars breaking out in other areas such as Africa because they had different sides backed up next to each other. There were two major alliances made. The Triple Alliance (1882 made) and The Triple Entente (1907 made). These two alliances separated the two major sides of the 'Great War'. Alliances were supposed to date peace between countries but instead

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P2 did the complete opposite. Germany, Austria-Hungary and Italy were in the Triple Alliance when as Britain, France and Russia were in the 'Triple Entente'. Alliances were created before the 'Great War' began and the countries took sides after the Assassination of Archduke of Austria-Hungary was killed, creating a war.

P3 Before World War One started, different powers and empires wanted land to expand, when World War One appeared empires saw a good opportunity to gain land. European Nations found it hard to compete in imperialism ~~to~~ ~~quite~~ as they had small colonies compared to big-massed countries but they had claimed parts in Africa and Asia giving them advantage. Due to Germany and Italy joining up to make a colonial empire it caused conflicts, making Belgium and France expand so Germany wouldn't invade. The Archduke was killed, so war started allowing people to gain territory and the imperial competition caused the countries to adopt alliances so well.

P4 The build up of tension between nations caused nations to think they were better than others, otherwise known as Nationalism. Nationalism also made new areas of land and interests in them, creating nations to compete themselves, creating it to contribute to the extension of the war. 'Serbians, Greeks, Slovaks, Bosnians and others living under the Austro-Hungarian Empire wanted from 'foreign rule' creating people from slavic to leave the Austro-Hungarian Empire and go with Serbia, this then caused the Assassination of Archduke Ferdinand to happen and create World War One.

conc World War One was caused by a lead up of events and caused a big long. Militarism, Alliances, Imperialism and Nationalism all made Archduke of the throne of Austria-Hungary get assassinated but also make it turn into a big, long war.

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