

Crisis in the Balkans

A. Europe's Powder Keg

B. June 28, 1914

Standard

- 10.5.1 Analyze the arguments for entering into war presented by leaders from all sides of the Great War and the role of political and economic rivalries, ethnic and ideological conflicts, domestic discontent and disorder, and propaganda and nationalism in mobilizing civilian population in support of "total war."

Content and Language Objectives

- Content Objective- Students will explore the significance of conflicts in the Balkans leading to WWI?
- Language Objective- Students will take notes, pair share, and answer questions about the lesson.

A. Europe's Powder Keg

- The Balkans were known as the powder keg of Europe
- Nonstop ethnic uprisings (fighting) for freedom
- Initially fought against the Ottomans and later Austria-Hungary who controlled the region



The Balkans

What is a Powder Keg?

- Teacher Description
- Students will draw a visual of a powder keg using teacher description and example on the board.
- CFU- “1.2.3. Show your pictures” (Teacher quickly scan class visuals)

- Some had successfully won their freedom
- Ex: Greece, Albania, & Serbia
- Serbians living in Bosnia & Herzegovina (Austrian territory) wanted to be part of Serbia



- Serbian nationalists in B-H unsuccessfully fought against A-H for their independence
- By 1914, Serbians in B-H were ready to start fighting again
- A-H promised to put down any violence
- They were willing to go to war over this area



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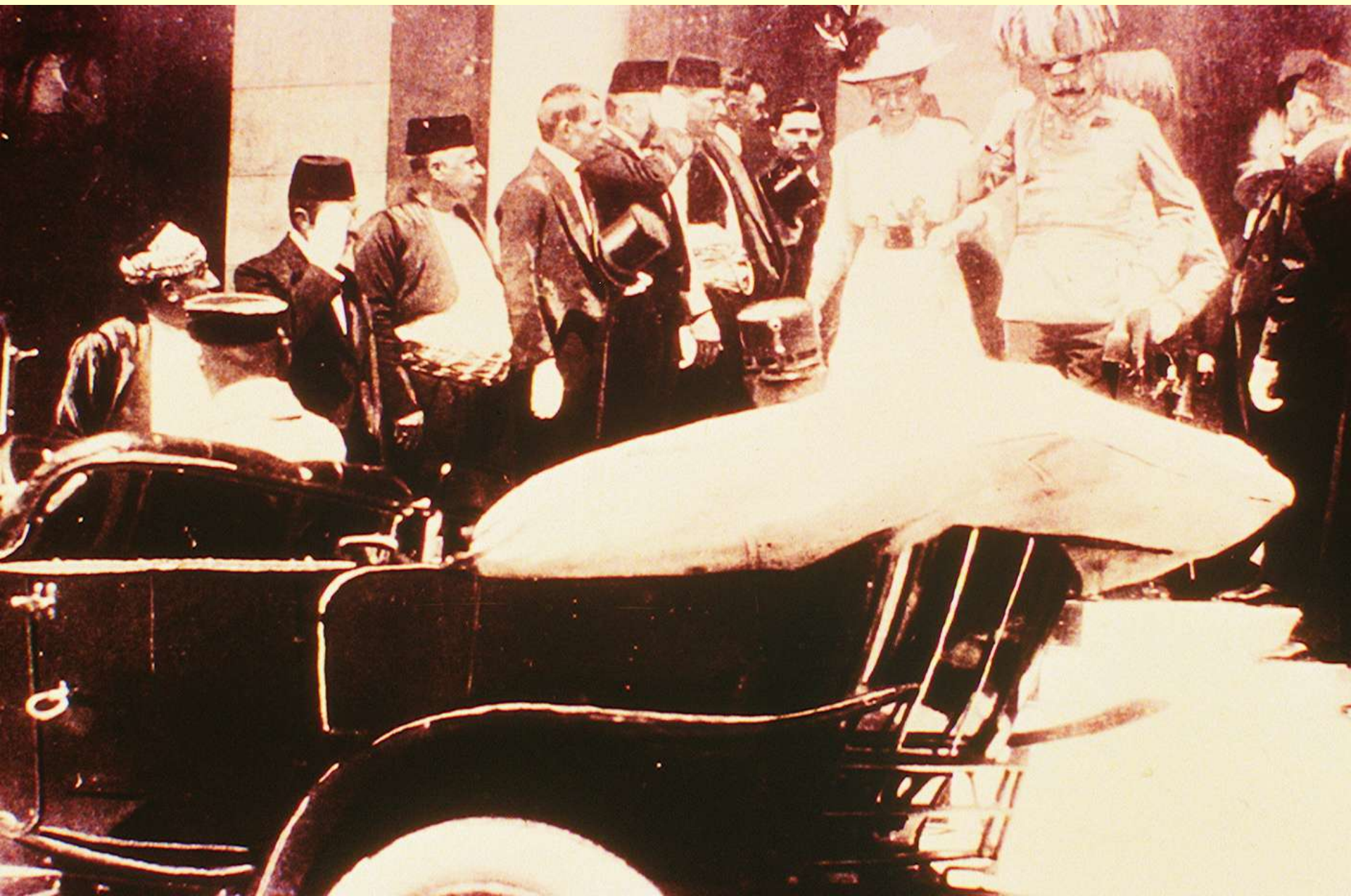
- What is the conflict in the Balkans?

Pair-Share 30 Seconds (Select Non-Volunteer)

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- Heir to the A-H throne
Archduke Franz
Ferdinand & his wife
Sophie are in Sarajevo,
Bosnia





- Gavriilo Princip (a member of the Black Hand, a Serbian nationalist group) assassinates the Archduke & his wife







Erste Reihe von links nach rechts: Trifko Grabez (20 Jahre schweren Kerker), Nedjelko Gabrinovic (20 Jahre schweren Kerker), Gavrilo Princip, der Mörder des Thronfolgerpaares (20 Jahre schweren Kerker), Danilo Ilic (Tod durch den Strang), Miroslav Jovanovic (Tod durch den Strang).
 Die rachsüchtigen Handlanger des Belgrader Komplotts und Anstifter des Weltkrieges erwarten auf der Anklagebank den Urteilspruch des Gerichtes von Sarajevo.
 Nach einer photographischen Aufnahme vom Spezialphotographen des „Interessanten Blattes“.

- Because of the assassination, A-H will declare war on Serbia & WWI will begin
- Serbia has an alliance with Russia
- B/C of the system of alliances, one by one the European nations were dragged into the conflict



Closure-CFU

- What is the significance of the Balkans to WWI?
- How important are alliances to this war becoming a “World War”?

Pair-Share 60 Seconds

Write down answers into notes

(Select Non-Volunteers)