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World War I Map Activity

This activity will familiarize you with the geography of Europe prior to and during WW I.

Read This First:

- Read and study pages 706-708 in your textbook. Read up until the section entitled "American Neutrality."
- Read all the directions below **before** you begin to color and label your maps.

Directions:

- 1. **Label** the following countries: <u>Great Britain</u>, <u>France</u>, Belgium, <u>Russia</u>, <u>Italy</u>, Serbia, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, Ottoman Empire, and Switzerland.
- 2. Of the underlined countries above, which countries were members of the **Allies** (**Allied Powers**) during World War I? **Shade these countries all in the same color**. Include all countries that eventually joined, or were members of at any time, the **Allies** (**Allied Powers**). Just use countries from the list in #1.
- 3. Of the underlined countries above, which countries were members of the **Central Powers** during World War I? **Shade these countries all in the same color**. Include all countries that eventually joined, or were members of at any time, the **Central Powers**. Just use countries from the list in #1.
- 4. The countries you label should all be located in Europe, with one small exception.

 HINT: One member of the Central Powers near the Middle East and located mostly in Asia also crosses over into a tiny part of southern Europe.
- 5. **Label** the **city of Paris**. (You must draw this on the map.)
- 6. **Outline** and **label** the region of **Alsace-Lorraine**. (You must draw this region on the map.) **HINT**: Remember, in 1914, this region was <u>not</u> in France. France lost this land to Germany during the Franco-Prussian War, 40 years before the outbreak of WW I.
- 7. **Outline** the **region of Bosnia** and **label** its **capital city of Sarajevo**, where Archduke Francis Ferdinand was assassinated. (You must draw these areas on the map.)
- 8. Using **triangles** as symbols, **mark in a separate color** the most mountainous portion of the **Alps** in Western Europe. <u>HINT</u>: Examine the mountainous regions already shaded on your maps or consult an atlas or the Internet for help. Look for **relief maps** showing **elevation**. Some key search terms are "**European Alps**," "**Swiss Alps**," "**French Alps**," "**Italian Alps**," and "**Alpine Region**." (You must draw the triangles on the map.)
- 9. Include a legend for your map that identifies what each color and symbol indicates.