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**Causes of WWI**

*Document 1*

1. What do you think Bulow means when he says Germany will be either a hammer or an anvil? Which do you think Germany would rather be? Why?
2. Why can Germany no longer “stand inactive”? What are some factors/motives for imperialism that Bulow references?
3. How do you think imperialism contributed to the start of WWI?

*Document 2*

1. What is a dreadnought? What do you notice about British/German production of dreadnoughts between 1906 and 1914?
2. Why might Germany want control of the seas? Think back to Document 1.
3. Why might Britain want control of the seas? Think about where Britain is geographically located.
4. How do you think the naval arms race contributed to the start of WWI?

*Document 3*

1. How does General Treitschke view war? Is it a good or a bad thing? Explain.
2. How does Frederic Passy view the rise of militarism in Europe? What is he worried about? Explain.
3. How do you think militaristic views on war contributed to the start of WWI?

*Document 4*

1. How many different ethnic groups can you count using the map of the Austrian Empire?
2. What does Milan Vasitch and the Blank Hand organization desire? What are they willing to give up to achieve it? Who is standing in their way?
3. How do you think nationalism contributed to the start of WWI?

*Document 5*

1. What countries make up the Triple Alliance? What countries make up the Triple Entente?
2. According to the treaty, what are the “Contracting Parties” required to do if one allied nation becomes engaged in a war with one or more of the “Great Powers”?
3. How do you think alliances contributed to the start of WWI?