



Year 5 - Autumn 1 - World War I



Main Participating Countries			
Allied Countries		Central Powers	
Country	Flag	Country	Flag
France		Germany	
United Kingdom		Austria-Hungary	
Italy		Ottoman Empire (Modern Turkey)	
Russia		Bulgaria	
U.S.A			

Key Facts
Archduke Ferdinand of Austro-Hungary assassinated by a Serb and declares war on Serbia.
Germany supports Austro-Hungary by declaring war on France.
Britain declares war on Germany on 4 th August 1914 when Germany moves troops into neutral Belgium.
The first day of the Battle of the Somme, 1 st July 1916, resulted in 57,000 casualties for Britain. The most in one day.
Women did important roles in the war: Land Army, munition workers, police officers, postal workers

Key Vocabulary

Flanders	Northern area of Belgium, part of the Western Front.	Propaganda	Material that puts forward a political point of view.
Western Front	Main area in Europe where fighting took place.	Munitions	Weapons and equipment that goes with them such as guns, bullets and shells.
Home Front	This is life in Britain during the war.	Land Army	Women were recruited from towns and cities to work on farms in the countryside.
Alliance	An agreement between two countries to support each other.	Suffragette	A member of the suffrage movement who fought for women to have the right to vote.
Aqueduct	A structure built to carry water often like a bridge across a valley.	Causation	Why events took place and the results of the actions