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# Get Set to Read

What do you know about World War I? In **Before Reading**, write *true* if you think the statement is true. Write *false* if you think the statement is not true. Then read **KIDS DISCOVER World War I**. Check back to find out if you were correct. Write the correct answer and the page number where you found it.

**CHALLENGE:** Rewrite each false sentence in a way that makes it true.

Before Reading		After Reading	Page Number
_____	1. The fighting of World War I began with events in the Austro-Hungarian Empire.	_____	_____
_____	2. France fought on the side of Germany in World War I.	_____	_____
_____	3. In France, barbed wire protected front-line soldiers from the enemy.	_____	_____
_____	4. 100,000 men were killed during the first 5 months of fighting.	_____	_____
_____	5. Airplanes were not used during World War I.	_____	_____
_____	6. Both sides used poison gas attacks during the war.	_____	_____
_____	7. A revolution occurred in Russia during the war.	_____	_____
_____	8. One in every 20 men who served in World War I died.	_____	_____
_____	9. The United States did not fight in World War I.	_____	_____
_____	10. The results of World War I contributed to the rise of the Nazis in Germany.	_____	_____



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## It's in the Reading

After reading **KIDS DISCOVER World War I**, choose the best answer for each question.  
Fill in the circle.



*Find your answers on the pages shown in the book icon next to each question.*

**1. Which was NOT a cause of World War I?**

- A. alliances between nations
- B. the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand
- C. Britain's fear of Germany's navy
- D. the United States' refusal to go to war



**2. In "trench warfare," the purpose of trenches is to \_\_\_\_.**

- A. provide a place to plant bombs
- B. separate the two countries that are fighting
- C. create comfortable places for soldiers to rest
- D. defend soldiers from enemy attacks



**3. Which country did NOT fight along with Britain in the battle near the Somme River?**

- A. India
- B. Australia
- C. New Zealand
- D. Italy



**4. Armor-covered tanks were built in order to \_\_\_\_.**

- A. protect soldiers crossing no-man's land
- B. sneak into enemy territory
- C. distract the enemy during airplane attacks
- D. mow down enemy soldiers



**5. Eddie Rickenbacker was a war hero because he \_\_\_\_.**

- A. saved hundreds of lives
- B. invented dogfights
- C. won many airplane battles
- D. killed Baron von Richthofen



**6. The Ottoman Empire had a strategic location because \_\_\_\_.**

- A. it was far from the Suez Canal
- B. it was in Africa
- C. it controlled the Black Sea
- D. it was between France and Germany



# It's in the Reading (continued)

**7. One reason the United States entered the war was that \_\_\_\_.**

- A. President Wilson had promised it would
- B. American businesses could go broke if the Allies lost
- C. the army had many well-trained troops
- D. the Germans sank an American ship



**8. The effect of the U.S. entering the war could most accurately be described as \_\_\_\_.**

- A. helping turn the tide against Germany
- B. not noticeable
- C. making the fighting last longer
- D. bringing sea battles into the war



**9. An example of "propaganda" is \_\_\_\_.**

- A. the Women's Peace Party urging an end to the war
- B. a poster showing Germans as monsters
- C. the Post Office refusing to send antiwar items
- D. rich people getting food on the black market



**10. The Turkish government expelled Armenians from their homes because \_\_\_\_.**

- A. they could not support them during the war
- B. the Armenians were fighting for the Allies
- C. the Turks needed their land for fighting
- D. Turkey claimed Armenia was helping Russia



**11. The Treaty of Versailles provided that \_\_\_\_.**

- A. the League of Nations would be formed
- B. Germany would no longer be a country
- C. Germany would pay the Allies \$33 billion
- D. the Arabs would get the lands of the Ottoman Empire



**12. In 1935 France, Britain, and Russia did little to stop Hitler because \_\_\_\_.**

- A. he wanted land they did not need
- B. they agreed that Germany needed more land
- C. the League of Nations was dealing with him
- D. they had recently fought World War I



**13. Do you think the United States should have stayed out of World War I as President Wilson first proposed? Explain why or why not.**

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## Everything Visual

A diagram can show the parts of something. It can help readers understand a topic better than text alone. Look at the diagram of trenches on pages 4–5. Then answer the questions.

1. Where are the medical post and command post located in relation to the main trenches? What do you think is the reason for this location?

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2. Which position in the trench system is located closest to the enemy?

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3. Compare the entrance to the command post to that of the medical post? What is the reason for this difference?

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4. Do you think the trenches and support systems for them were easy to build? Explain why or why not.

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5. Why do you think trench warfare was not a major method of warfare after World War I?

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