ChronoZoomer’s Guild

Orientation

Welcome to the ChronoZoomer's Guild. You have been selected to be a part of an elite team to uncover the hidden secrets of the past! The role of the ChronoZoomer is to delve into history, time travel back to an age where the world was at war, and figure out what went wrong and why!

Your first mission as an official member of the ChronoZoomer's Guild will require you to think beyond what you have been told, and discover a world of hidden secrets, events, and people. World War I is arguably one of the most talked about, disputed, and controversial topics among historians. It was the beginning of the age of modern war, globalization was becoming an issue to contend with, and people around the globe where being consumed with rhetoric and promises of a life they had only dreamt about.

Your goal will be to examine the events, people, and places surrounding World War I using ChronoZoom in order to uncover the answer to the BIG question: **What factors triggered World War I? When and for who?**

Once you have uncovered the answer, it will be up to you to remove those events from history! Why is that person/event/place important? Why is it (why are they) a key factor in the war? How would the removal of this person/place/event from history change the course of events that transpired?

There are some important things to remember and consider while on your mission:

1. WWI didn’t happen out of thin air, and many people will have differing opinions on when, why, and how WWI commenced. You must remember to look at historian’s opinions carefully and piece together their opinions as you go.
2. As you connect the dots from one person, event, and place to another be sure to think about how they might relate to/impact one another and try to decipher which (in your own opinion) are more important or significant.
3. As a member of the ChronoZoomer's Guild you are encouraged to ask questions, be skeptical, and be bold in your thoughts in order to come up with your own, autonomous decision. Do not be afraid to think outside the box!

# Optional Mission

Greetings ChronoZoomer! I hope you are excited for your first mission in uncovering the causes of World War I! As you have already been told, this mission will require you to think beyond what you already know, and question different perspectives as to the cause of the Great War.

**Mission Objective:** Determine what you consider to be the long, short-term, and trigger causes of World War I. You will have to take into account different events, people, countries, and sources. Remember to be objective!

Here is the outline of your mission:

* Use ChronoZoom to gather key data on the causes of World War I. As you fly through ChronoZoom, record your findings on the long/short/trigger causes data form.
* Take your causes, and with your fellow ChronoZoomers, analyze your information using the Analyses of Causes chart.
* Finally, you must then decide which causes of World War I you believe are most significant. Record your decisions using the Diamond 9 matrix.

**If you successfully complete your mission you will earn your FIRST ChronoZoomer’s Guild Badge: Causation with Representation**

# ChronoZoom APK

Welcome ChronoZoomer! For this mission we need to assess what you already know about the events of the Great War. So before we send you back in time let’s see what you know, so that no mistakes are made that could jeopardize the greater goal of the ChronoZoomer's Guild, which is historical understanding for future generations. Your mission requires you to be metacognitive about your knowledge of World War I, right now. Here is your mission outline:

1. Brain dump – for one minute release everything you know, or think you know, about The Great War. This could include: causes, events, people, places, ideas, outcomes, etc. The brain dump should be single words, no sentences. Do not worry about being right or wrong, just share what you think you know.
2. Taking your individual work, you are now going to work with your fellow ChronoZoomers to work together for better understanding. Your team is comprised of your group that you are in right now. When your mission leader instructs you to do so, go to your assigned portals to expand on your brain dump. You will rotate portals as a group until you have visited each site.
3. Complete the Anticipation Guide.
4. As a Guild, let’s discuss your knowledge. What do you know as a whole?

Now that you know where you stand as a guild, you are ready to delve into the past to uncover the causes of the Great War, identify and decide which events leading up to the war were the most significant, and debunk myths surrounding the Great War.

For completing this mission you have earned your **Metacognition Badge!**

# Anticipation Guide

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

For each of the following statements, identify in the space provided whether you believe the statement to be true or false by writing "true" or "false".

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_ World War I began in 1915.
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_ World War I was first called The Great War.
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Germany, France, and England fought together during the war.
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_ World War I began a month after the assassination of the Archduke of Austria-  
    Hungry, Franz Ferdinand.
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_ The peace treaty that ended the war was called the Treaty of Versailles.
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_World War I ended in 1918.
7. \_\_\_\_\_\_ America entered the war in 1914.
8. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Germany caused the war by first declaring war on Russia 1913.
9. \_\_\_\_\_\_ A key cause of conflict was England, Germany, France, Russia and Austria-  
    Hungary’s desire to expand their empires into Africa and Asia.
10. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Militarism, alliances, imperialism, and nationalism (MAIN) are often named as   
     the only causes of World War I.

# The Trigger Mission (Tour)

Alas, ChronoZoomer, we meet again! Your goal for this mission is to go back in time to the very moments when the Great War began. As part of this mission you will see how the murder of one man and his wife, by a young teenage terrorist, triggered a crisis in the summer of 1914 that would be the spark that thrust the world into war. There are some questions to keep in mind: **At what point did this war become inevitable, and why? What events could you as a ChronoZoomer remove in order to prevent the war from taking place as it did? Do you think that at some point a great war would have occurred no matter what, based on other factors? Explain.**

Here are the objectives for your mission:

1. Listen carefully, and identify what happened on June 28, 1914 in the country of Bosnia.
2. Identify who was involved, and where are they from.
3. After listening to the tour, think about the many events during the day of June 28th, 1914. List moments at which a different decision might have prevented the assassination of the Archduke.
4. Use the causation cards and place them in chronological order.
5. Choose from the events in your timeline the one that you believe to be the most significant in terms of triggering the Great War. On the back of that particular causation, explain why your group chose that card.
6. In your squad, discuss the following question: Do you think that if the Archduke had not been shot, the war would not have started? Remember that your squad must be able to support and defend your stance.

If your group successfully completes this mission, you will have completed the first stage the “Trigger Mission”, and will be half-way to earning your **Causation Exploration** badge.

# Perspective Detective

In this mission, each squad will be provided a profile of a country involved in the outbreak of the Great War. Your mission is to explore ChronoZoom from the perspective of the country you received in your mission folder, in order to determine that country’s role and responsibilities in the eruption of World War I.

Here are your objectives for this mission:

1. To what extent, if at all, was your country involved in various events on the ChronoZoom timevine infobuds?
2. Using the contentment chart, identify the events your country was involved in or impacted by. List those events in chronological order on the x-axis. Next, plot your country’s attitude/feelings toward that event. (Was this event good or bad, did it make your country happy, angry? Toward whom?)
3. Come back together as a Guild, and compare contentment charts.
4. Now that you have compared your charts, you are going to become a ChronoZoomer Creator and visually show your perspective of history! Looking at your contentment chart, choose which events were most significant from the perspective of your country. Once you have chosen those events, ***create a timeline on ChronoZoom*** of those events. Remember that you want to include the events themselves, as well as significant people, places, countries, outcomes etc. that had an impact on the event and country.

Remember that you are zooming back in time to place yourself within the context of the event and country. Good luck ChronoZoomer!

Once you have successfully completed your mission, you will earn your **Perspective Detective** badge!

# Connecting the Dots: Final Mission

As a squad or individual member of the ChronoZoomer’s Guild, decide what you consider to be the most significant causes of World War I. Then decide at what point war became inevitable and why. Explain why various countries felt justified or were willing to go to war. Knowing what you know now, do you believe that Europe “slithered” into war, or can we lay the blame at another country’s doorstep? You or your squad must create a product explaining your perspective/decisions/stance in one of the following formats: newspaper article/media report, presentation, create your own evidence-based timevine that connects the dots, create a poster board, graphic novel/cartoon strip, speech, create a ChronoZoom tour of significant events leading to World War I from the perspective of a specific country, or any other approved format.