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T h e r e w e r e m a n y
similarities between the two
treaties. However, there
were also some important
differences.

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France was determined to punish Germany for the First World War. This meant Germany had to bear the famous 'war guilt clause'. This caused great resentment within Germany and allowed Hitler to come to power.

By contrast, France was excluded from Potsdam. The Big Three were determined Germany should not be unfairly punished. Steps were taken to help Germany recover from Nazi rule.

