

**HONORS U.S. HISTORY**  
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**The United States and World War I Study Guide**

1. Summarize the steps that led to the outbreak of war in Europe.
2. What was America's initial reaction to the war? Why?
3. Explain the reasons why some Americans felt tied to each of the sides in the war.
4. What were the rules that warring nations had to follow on the seas under international law?
5. What changes did Britain make in international law and why?
6. How was the submarine different from other ships and how did it make international laws seem unfair?
7. After the *Lusitania* incident, what was America's reaction to further incidents and promises (*Sussex Pledge*) took place?
8. On what issue/motto was Wilson reelected president in 1916?
9. What was the significance of the Zimmerman note?
10. What led the U.S. to break off diplomatic relations with Germany?
11. What was the state of our military preparedness?
12. How were the lives of people at home affected by the war?
13. How did the U.S. raise an army?
14. Why did money also have to be mobilized for the war? How did the government do it?
15. Why did it become necessary for the government to take over some industries? Which ones did they take over?
16. What did the Food administration do? How was war good for American farmers?
17. What did the War Industries Board do?
18. How did the war effect women and blacks in the labor force?
19. What laws were passed affecting civil liberties and what was the impact?
20. What does it mean "mobilizing minds" for the war effort? Why did the government do this?
21. What was it like "over there?" Be specific.
22. What were conditions like for the soldiers at the time the U.S. entered the war?
23. What effect did American troops have on the war?
24. The Great War ended on November 11, 1918. What problems faced Europe and the victorious allies?
25. What were the Fourteen Points? Generally summarize the purpose of these points.
26. What did the allies force upon Germany? How was the map of Europe altered by the Paris Conference?
27. Describe Wilson's belief in establishing a League of Nations.
28. Why did the United States ultimately reject membership in the League of Nations? What type of foreign policy did the nation adopt?
29. Ultimately, what did the Great War resolve?

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**THE U.S. IN WORLD WAR I (CHAPTER 24)**

**VOCABULARY:**

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|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. alliance      | 6. ultimatum                      | 11. conscription |
| 2. nationalism   | 7. arsenal                        | 12. espionage    |
| 3. militarism    | 8. contraband                     | 13. sedition     |
| 4. assassination | 9. mobilization                   | 14. bonds        |
| 5. propaganda    | 10. front ( <i>n., military</i> ) | 15. morale       |

**TERMS:**

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|------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 1. Central Powers            | 13. Committee on Public Information    | 24. "peace without indemnities" |
| 2. Allied Powers             | 14. propaganda                         | 25. League of Nations           |
| 3. international law         | 15. Sedition Act                       | 26. the "Big Four"              |
| 4. embargo                   | 16. Espionage Act                      | 27. reparations                 |
| 5. stalemate                 | 17. "great migration"                  | 28. "blank check"               |
| 6. <i>Sussex</i> pledge      | 18. <i>Chicago Defender</i>            | 29. "mandate system"            |
| 7. "peace without victory"   | 19. convoys                            | 30. League Covenant             |
| 8. conscription              | 20. American Expeditionary Force (AEF) | 31. "Article 10"                |
| 9. War Industries Board      | 21. "doughboys"                        | 32. "irreconcilables"           |
| 10. Railroad Administration  | 22. "Spring Offensive" 1918            | 33. reservationists             |
| 11. National War Labor Board | 23. self determination                 | 34. the Red Scare               |
| 12. Liberty bonds            |  | 35. "Palmer Raids"              |

**PEOPLE:**

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Archduke Franz Ferdinand | 5. Eddie Rickenbacker | 9. Joseph Schenk       |
| 2. Gen. John J. Pershing    | 6. Herbert Hoover     | 10. Henry Cabot Lodge  |
| 3. Louis Brandeis           | 7. Bernard Baruch     | 11. A. Mitchell Palmer |
| 4. Colonel House            | 8. George Creel       | 12. Warren Harding     |

**PLACES:**

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|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Sarajevo | 4. France       | 7. Chateau Thierry |
| 2. Germany  | 5. Verdun       | 8. Versailles      |
| 3. Belgium  | 6. Belleau Wood | 9. Ottoman Empire  |