Causes of WWI

**Imperialism**

* What is it: When a bigger, stronger country controls every aspect of life in a smaller, weaker one.
* How does it lead to **Nationalism**? People in the colonies want their own leaders not leaders from someplace else making their laws and controlling their lives

**Nationalism**

* What was it: Intense pride in one’s country or culture
* What does nationalism have to do with the assassination of Franz Ferdinand?

F.Ferdinand, heir apparent of the Austro-Hungarian Empire was visiting Bosnia. Some Bosnians, who were ethnically Serbian and NOT German as their Austro-Hungarian leaders, were members of the Black Hand (a terrorist organization) planned to assassinate Ferdinand to liberate the Serbian parts of the A-H Empire.

**Industrial Revolution**

* What was it: Movement from handmade to machine made product. Rise of factories
* How did it lead to **Imperialism**? Big countries seek colonies to take advantage of the resources there

**Militarism**

* What was it: rapid buildup of the military
* What does it have to do with the Industrial Revolution: The factories allowed the machines of war to be created more efficiently thus allowing this rapid buildup