



1914—1918

EXPLORING THE
IRISH EXPERIENCE

NLI WWI LEARNING RESOURCES

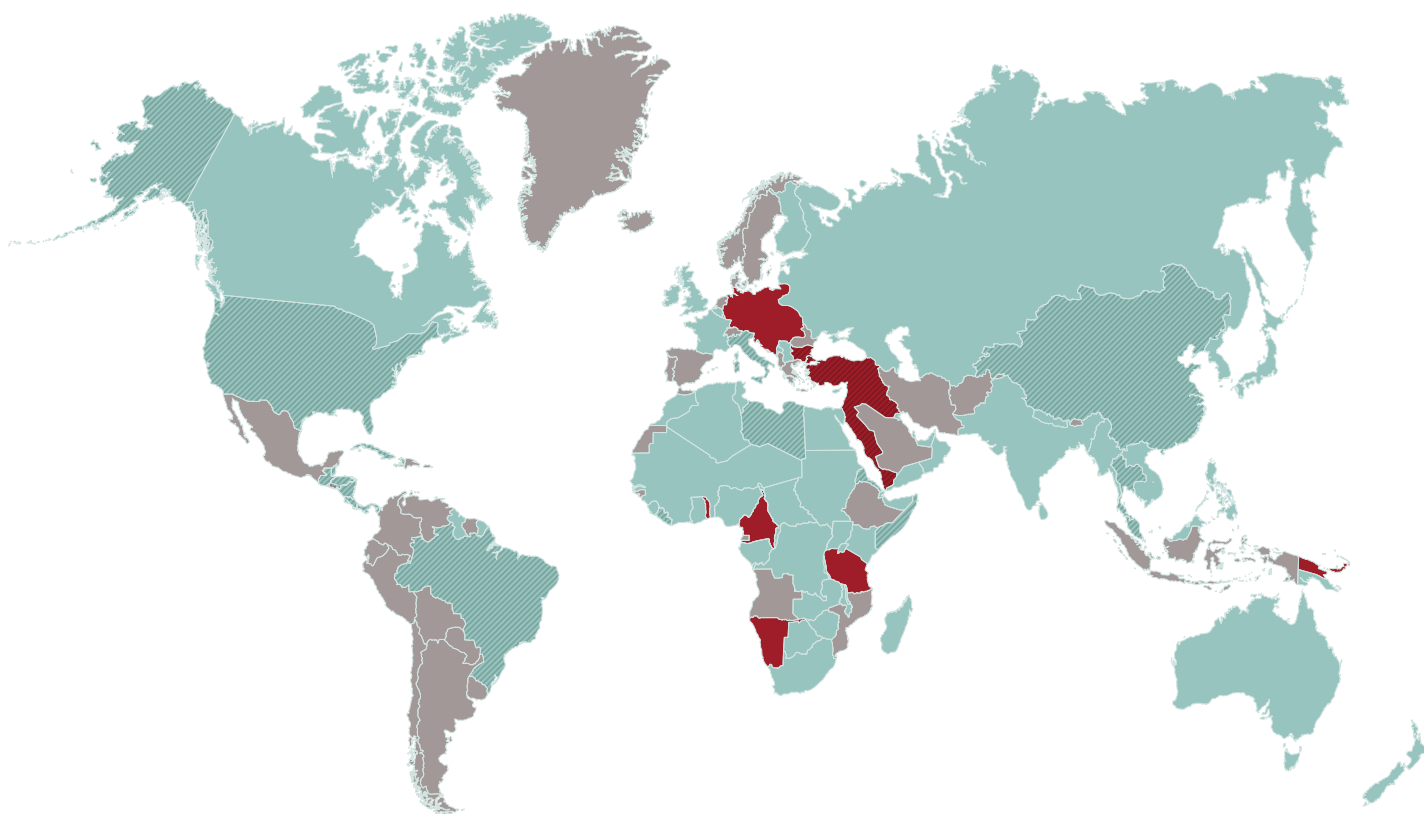
Leaving Certificate Students worksheet

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BEFORE YOU VISIT THE NATIONAL LIBRARY

This map shows the world on the eve of World War I.
The different colours indicate countries that would
become involved in the conflict.



1 Name the two alliances involved
in the outbreak of war:

2 Based on what you have covered in class and on your own research, list the main tensions which developed between these two groups of countries. Write a few sentences to explain each of these tensions and how they came about.

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WHAT ABOUT IRELAND?

In 1914, Ireland was still part of the United Kingdom and governed from London. In the run up to World War I, two armed groups faced each other.



3 Name the two leaders and the armed groups shown in these pictures.

GROUP 1: _____

GROUP 2: _____

LEADER: _____

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When and why were each of these two groups formed?

WORLD WAR I WOULD BE DIFFERENT FROM PREVIOUS CONFLICTS INVOLVING IRISH PEOPLE.

When you visit the National Library you will find out about the lives of 4 people in particular:



4 Can you guess some of the ways the war would impact on Irish people?

When you visit the library, you'll get to examine primary sources about what happened to Irish people during the War. Keep your guesses in mind to see if the evidence supports them.

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