

Who was responsible for World War One?

• Each person in the class will be given a number (1-6). Your task is as follows:




1. To frame three prosecution questions against a particular country, in this order:




Examples (in this case, against France):

- Is it not fair to argue that you had humiliated Germany in the Moroccan Crisis?
- Is it not true that your alliance with Russia forced Germany to develop the Schlieffen Plan?

2. For each question, have evidence to back up your point.

3. In the lesson itself, each group will decide on its best three questions. They will then be written into the table. Then, each group will be told which country they will defend, and frame / present responses to the questions formulated by someone else.

	A. "Guilty!": Questions	B. "Not Guilty!": Responses
1. Russia  <i>Tsar Nicholas II</i>	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.
2. France  <i>Rene Viviani</i>	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.
3. Britain  <i>HH Asquith</i>	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.

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4. Germany  <i>Kaiser Wilhelm II</i>	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.
5. Austro-Hungary  <i>Emperor Franz Josef</i>	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.
6. Serbia / Bosnia  <i>King Alexander I of Serbia</i>	1. 2. 3.	1. 2. 3.

Question

1. From this evidence, who do you think was most responsible for the outbreak of World War One? Explain your answer

TIP: Remember to try to demonstrate how they all contributed, but it depends when / how you look at it...