

Italy fact finding task

Find as much information about each of these questions as you can and bring it along to the first History lesson with Miss Keith in September. Some of these questions have very simple answers, others are complicated so will require longer answers. DO NOT copy and paste (I will know if you do!)

1. What is the capital city of Italy?
2. Which countries border Italy?
3. What was Italy like before 1860?
4. When was Italy officially a unified country?
5. What does the word Risorgimento mean?
6. What is a constitutional monarchy?
7. What is the link between Italy and the Catholic Church? How popular was Catholicism as a religion in Italy in the early 1900s?
8. Why was the South of Italy poorer than the North in the first half of the 1900s? What were living conditions like there?
9. What is socialism? What is communism?
10. Make a fact file on Giovanni Giolitti. Who was he? What positions did he have (with dates)? What did he believe?

Germany fact finding task

Find as much information about each of these questions as you can and bring it along to the first History lesson with Mr Gavigan in September. Some of these questions have very simple answers, others are complicated so will require longer answers.

1. What is the Capital of Germany?
2. Which countries border Germany?
3. Who did Germany form alliances in WW1?
4. When did WW1 end?
5. What happened to the German Kaiser at the end of the war?
6. Who set up a new German government in 1918?
7. What was the Treaty of Versailles?
8. Name three things the Treaty said Germany must do.
9. What was the Weimar Republic?
10. Make a fact-file on Frederick Ebert. Who was he? What positions did he have (with dates)? What political party did he belong to?

Empire fact finding task

Find as much information about each of these questions as you can and bring it along to the first History lesson with Miss Elms in September. Some of these questions have very simple answers, others are complicated so will require longer answers.

1. What does imperialism mean?
2. Which countries were in the British Empire by 1914?
3. When did the USA become independent?
4. Make a list of the benefits of having an empire.
5. What were the 13 original colonies in the USA?
6. What is a constitution?
7. What had people emigrated to the 13 original colonies?
8. When was the Boston Tea Party?
9. Make a fact file on Sam Adams (1722-1803.) Who was he?
What did he do?
10. Make a fact file on Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790.) Who was he? What did he do?

Origins of WWI fact finding task

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1. What was the Industrial Revolution?
2. When had Germany become a unified country?
3. What were the two alliance systems in Europe in 1914 called? Which countries were in each?
4. Which countries are referred to as 'the Balkans'?
5. What is militarism?
6. What happened in June 1914 that triggered war?
7. Which country had the largest navy in 1908? Why would they need a large navy?
8. Why was the German Empire smaller than the British Empire in the early 1900s?
9. What was the Schlieffen Plan?
10. Make a fact file on Sir Edward Grey. Who was he? What positions did he have (with dates)? What political party did he belong to?

AS Source Task

Study Source 2 before you answer this question.

Source 2: The Liberal Politician Giustino Fortunato writing a letter to his friend Pasquale Villari in December 1911. Fortunato had been opposed to the Libyan War when it began in September.

I was fearful for the Tripoli expedition and continue to be fearful. But I have one great, one immeasurable consolation. For the first time since Italy was created amid the sea and beneath the sky, the southern peasants (and I know them well and they are not easily aroused to enthusiasm) are finally conscious of a duty to fight for a fatherland, and that this has a name: Italy. Yes, indeed, half a century of unity has not been wasted.

How much weight do you give the evidence of Source 2 for an enquiry into support for the Libyan War in 1911?

Explain your answer using the source, the information given about it and your own knowledge of the historical context.

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