

World History

Timeline of World War I

Name: Section:

 $\underline{\text{Directions}}\textsc{:}$ Use the following outline to take notes on the battles and progression of World War I

1914

Schlieffen Plan

German plan to quickly destroy France

Race to the Sea

British and French try to get behind German army German army tries to get behind British and French

First Battle of Ypres (only major battle of 1914)

Belgium British French versus Germans

Major Losses:

58k French

50k Brits

20k Germans

60k Injured

Christmas Truce

December 1914

Temporary peace in some areas

Second Battle of Ypres

Introduction of Gas Warfare

Allies 70k Casualties

Germans 35k Casualties

Air Warfare

"Knights of the Sky"

Cavalry

Ineffective at best

1915

Trench Warfare at its worst

Stalemate

Repeated attacks by allies and central powers without any gain on either side

Gallipoli Campaign

Anzac sent to deal with Ottomans

1916

New German Strategy

"Bleed France White"

Verdun

February to October German Offensive
Ft. Douaumont taken without a shot
500k French casualties
400k German casualties
5 mile net gain for Germans

Somme

June to November British offensive British lost 57k on first day Introduction of Tanks 660k German Losses 630k British losses

Naval Warfare

May 31 Battle of Jutland
Only major naval battle

Unrestricted Submarine warfare
Blockade Great Britain into submission

1917

General stalemate and breakdown
Revolt in French Army
Revolt in Russia
Russia surrenders
America Finally mobilized
Sinking of the Lusitania
Zimmerman Telegram
Austria breaking down against Italy
Ottomans dealing with revolt
Led by T.E. Lawrence

1918

Breakdown in Germany Army November 11th, 1918 11:00 AM Armistice Signed