

Modern Warfare & Power

Background

History 12 students often ask why George Clemenceau of France was so determined to punish Germany at the Paris Peace Conference.

They also ask why the world refused to stand up to Adolf Hitler in the 1930s.

These questions share a common denominator . . . the massive cost of World War I.

At the Paris Peace Settlement, France needed German reparations to repair damages and provide security against another invasion.

When Hitler came to power in Germany, the Great Powers were willing to bargain with the Nazis to avoid another conflict.

Thus, the Second World War is deeply rooted in the cost the First World War.

Regarding the study of power, History 12 really is nothing more than a study of power in the 20th Century.

Assignment

Your mission is to gather information about the development of modern warfare during the First World War.

Afterwards, you will tackle the concept of power.

Step 1 – Read each section in your *Student Workbook*.

Step 2 – Take notes, focussing on specifics.

At the end of this task, you should be an expert on the following . . .

A) Modern Warfare (Pg. 5 -7)

- Impact of Industrialization
- Total War

B) Power (Pg. 7 – 8)

- Key Elements of Power

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Modern Warfare	
Power	