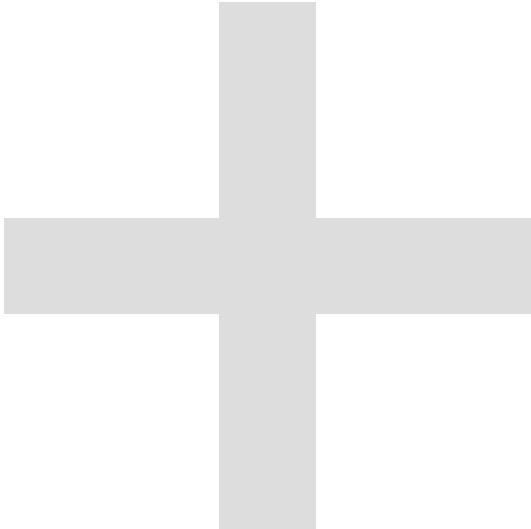
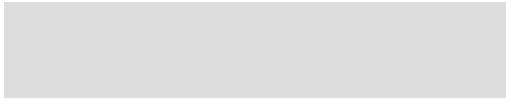


Name \_\_\_\_\_ Due Date \_\_\_\_\_

# FRIENDS or Enemies

*Military alliances* are formal agreements between two or more nations to either defend each other in case of an attack (defensive) or to send aid, troops, and other support if their ally enters into a war (offensive). Military alliances such as the Greek Delian League have formed since ancient times. Today alliances including NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, continue to impact the world. In the years leading up to World War I alliances were another factor that increased tensions which eventually led to war.

**Directions:** Consider all of the pros and cons of alliances, thinking both in general terms and about being a member of an alliance. Record your ideas in the spaces below:

<b>PROS</b> of Alliances:	<b>CONS</b> of Alliances:
	

Overall do you think alliances are a good thing or a bad thing? Explain your ideas.

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**DIRECTIONS:** Based on the profiles do you think each of following pairs of nations would be friends or enemies? Explain your answers in the space below each.

Germany and Austria Hungary? _____
Great Britain and France? _____
France and Russia? _____
Russia and Austria Hungary? _____
Italy and Germany? _____
Austria Hungary and Great Britain? _____

**NOW:** By the time World War I began in 1914, two main alliances had formed. How do you think the six powers split up?

**Alliance One:**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alliance Two:**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_



**Explain how the alliances increased the chance of a GLOBAL conflict:**

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