Basic Causes Of World War I (1914-1918):
1. Militarism (the glorification of war)
   - increased production of military equipment prior to 1914.
   - drafting of soldiers
   - Britain felt threatened by Germany's naval building program
2. Imperialism:
   ** European countries battling over colonies.
   - France and Germany clashed over Morocco.
   - Great Britain and Germany competed for control in Africa and Asia for markets.
   - Russia and Austria-Hungary were rivals in the Balkan region.
3. Nationalism:
(intense love or loyalty for one's country based on a common language, culture, heritage, etc)

** Intense patriotism assured popular support for war in 1914.

a) France was determined to recover French inhabited provinces of Alsace and Lorraine
   b) Serbia wanted Austro-Hungarian territory inhabited by Yugoslav peoples. (Yugoslavs, Czechs, Slovaks)

4. System Of Alliances:
   - Triple Alliance (Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy)
   - Triple Entente (France, Russia, Britain)

5. Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand Of Austria-Hungary