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# World War I

## (1914-1918)

### Student Research Guide

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The interface includes a top navigation bar with options: Copy Transcript, Submit Feedback, Export Cards, Report Issue, and a Filter Resources dropdown. The main content area displays three newspaper articles, each with an 'Explore' button. The chat window on the right shows a character named Charlie, who is 'Online' and provides context about WWI's legacy and the importance of remembering the war.

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The interface includes a top navigation bar with the National Geographic logo and a search bar. Below the banner, the title 'The Hidden World of the Great War: The Lost Underground of World War I' is displayed, along with the authors' names. The main content area shows a large, dark, textured image of a cave entrance, with the title 'The Hidden World of the Great War' overlaid on the left.

The [Britannica Library](#) has articles, images, videos, primary sources, eBooks and more on World War I with a selection of resources especially for teenagers.

The screenshot shows the Britannica Library Teens interface. At the top, there's a dark blue header with the '250 Britannica Library Teens' logo and search/navigation icons. Below this is a large black and white photograph of World War I soldiers in a trench. A dark blue navigation bar is overlaid on the bottom of the photo, containing a 'TABLE OF CONTENTS' link and the title 'World War I'. To the right of the title are several red circular icons for sharing and interaction. Below the navigation bar, a light beige sidebar on the left lists 'Introduction', 'The Onset of War', 'The War During 1914', and 'The War During 1915'. The main content area on the right has tabs for 'Article', 'Images & Videos', and 'Related', with 'Article' currently selected.

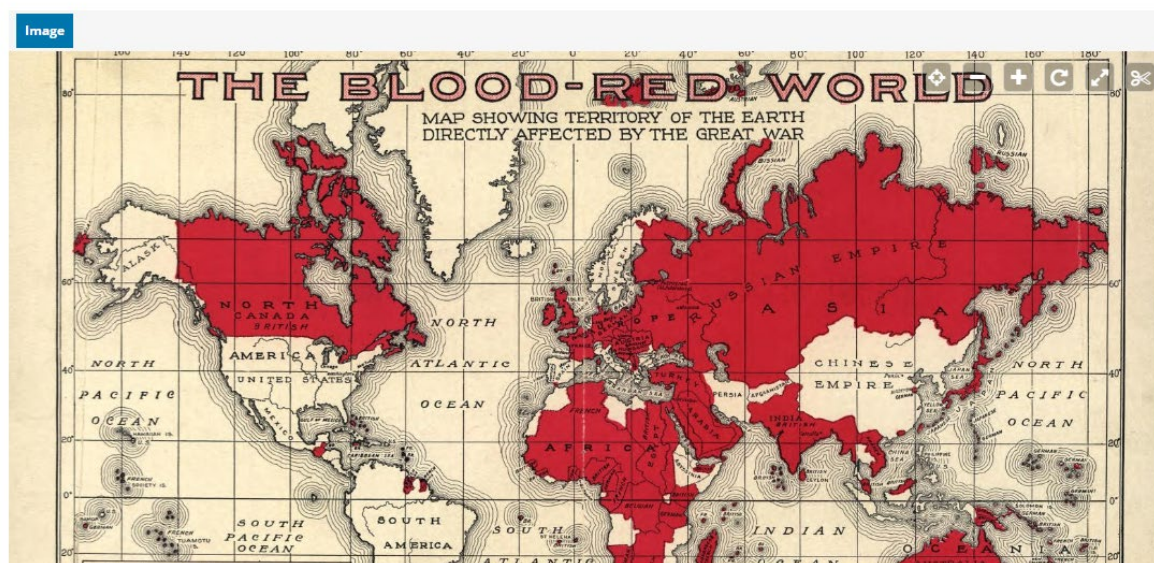
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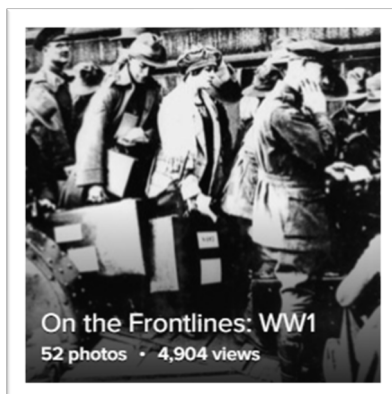
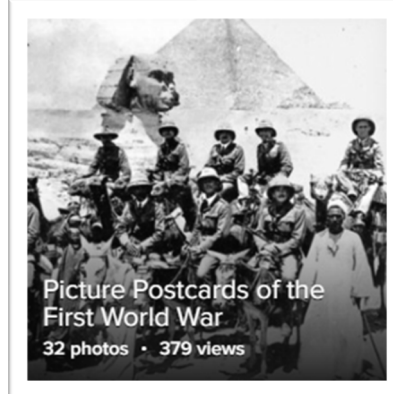




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**The Daily Telegraph.**

SYDNEY, SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 1914.

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less Parliament has to say at the juncture the better. The legislation rushed through in war time is usually public legislation that is as likely to do harm as good. The determination of the State Assembly to adjourn for a fortnight after passing a bill to fix prices is therefore commendable. And it would be more so if the adjournment took place before that bill was passed. So for Australia at war has kept a fairly level head which is the first essential of success. It would be regrettable to see any departure from that now when the excuse for it is so greatly diminished.

**DAY BY DAY.**

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THE NEW LANDING IN GALLIPOLI PENINSULA.

On August 6 new British forces were thrown ashore on each side of Suvla Bay, and, since then, connexion has been established with the Australian and New Zealand troops on the slopes of Sari Bair. The new landing was effected while furious attacks were delivered by us in the Anzac and Krithia zones. The area in British possession has been considerably increased, but we have not gained the objectives at which we are aiming. At one time the Dominion troops gained the summit of Sari Bair, but, owing to the slow progress of the new forces, they had to withdraw. Our losses have been heavy, though the losses of the enemy are much heavier. A recent statement of the facts issued by the Government concluded with this warning:—"These facts must not lead the public to suppose that the true objective has been gained, or that further serious and costly efforts will not be required before a decisive victory is won."

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THE FINAL PHASE: JULY 18, 1918—NOV. 11, 1918.

It has been possible in this issue, which is necessarily smaller than it would be in normal times, owing to the paper restrictions, to deal only with the final phase of the Great War—that extraordinary period between July 18 of this year, when the tide began to turn, and November 11, the date of the signing of the Armistice with Germany. Equally, it has been impossible for us to do more than touch upon even this phase. It should be noted, further, that we have dealt with the Western Front alone. The fighting which led to the Armistice with Bulgaria, that with Turkey, and that with Austria-Hungary, we have illustrated in previous issues. It may be taken for granted, however, that none will forget the superb work done by

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