



**The Treaty of Versailles – Questions and Answers**

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Which countries made up the 'Big Three' at the end of the First World War?	Britain, France and the USA
What name was given to the part of the Treaty that blamed Germany for starting the war?	War Guilt Clause
The German army was limited to how many soldiers?	100,000
What recruitment system was the German army banned from using?	Conscription
Name the three main types of military equipment the German army was banned from possessing.	Tanks, submarines and military aeroplanes
How much were the reparations that Germany had to pay?	£6,600 million (£6.6 billion)
In what year was the reparations sum set?	1921
Which border territory gained in the Franco-Prussian War was returned to France?	Alsace-Lorraine

What happened to Germany's colonies?	Mostly put under the control of Britain and France
Which valuable coal mining area was put under control of the League of Nations?	The Saar
Which German regions were taken to form the Polish Corridor?	West Prussia and Upper Silesia
What happened to the port city of Danzig?	Put under control of the League of Nations
Germany was forbidden from uniting with which neighbouring country?	Austria
Which peace-keeping organisation was established by the Treaty of Versailles?	League of Nations
Why were some French people pleased with the Treaty of Versailles?	It removed threat of another German invasion
Why did some British people support the Treaty of Versailles?	Germany had been punished for the deaths of their family members
Why did some British people oppose the Treaty of Versailles?	They were not sure if it would bring peace as they didn't know how Germany would react to it



Why did Germany have no choice over whether to sign the Treaty of Versailles?	If they didn't, the war would have restarted
Why did Germany oppose the War Guilt Clause?	They didn't feel that they had started the war on their own
Why did some people argue that the Treaty of Versailles did not punish the right people?	The Kaiser, who began the war, had abdicated
What percentage of Germany's population were absorbed into other countries following the Treaty of Versailles?	12.5%
Why were Germans concerned by the reduction of the size of their army?	They believed they wouldn't be able to defend themselves
What had France wanted to do to German territory?	Break it into a series of small weak states
Which harsh treaty had Germany imposed on Russia in 1918?	Brest-Litovsk