**Causes of WWI Reading Questions**

Read the webpage below and answer the questions that follow:

[Causes of the First World War Reading - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/mod-wwi-causes-reading/)

1. What acronym is used to simplify the four main causes of WWI?
2. Define an 'alliance'.
3. Why were the alliances considered a significant cause of WWI?
4. What is the meaning of 'Imperialism'?
5. Which country had the largest imperial power in the world by 1900?
6. What is 'Militarism'?
7. What was the significance of the 'dreadnought' in the context of militarism?
8. Define 'Nationalism'.
9. Which region was a point of contention between Germany and France?
10. What event in 1871 intensified the animosity between Germany and France?
11. What was the Moroccan Crisis about?
12. What led to the Bosnian Crisis in 1908?
13. Why was Serbia upset about the Bosnian Crisis?
14. Which two countries were on the brink of war due to the Bosnian Crisis?
15. Which country backed down during the Bosnian Crisis to avoid a larger conflict?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you have learnt in your reading, answer the question below in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*Why did Militarism, Alliances, Imperialism and Nationalism lead to tensions between the major European powers before WWI?*