

World War One Teacher Answer Sheet Three - Weapons of War

1. What made dreadnaughts unique?

Dreadnaughts were distinguished by having a uniform set of guns and driven by steam turbines.

2. Battlecruisers gave up either armor or guns for what?

Bigger, faster engines.

3. What is a U-boat?

A German submarine used in WWI and WWII.

4. What does *Unterseeboot* mean?

under sea boat

5. What is a depth charge?

A mine designed to explode at a specific depth.

6. What is a hydrophone?

An underwater microphone used to find submarines.

7. What were observation balloons used for?

Spot troop movement, enemy positions, direct artillery fire, and spot enemy ships

8. What were air to air rockets used against?

Airships and observation balloons

9. What did Germany use Zeppelins for?

Bombers and scouts

10. What is a pusher plane?

A plane with the engine mounted in the rear.

11. Define Synchronized. Timed in sequence.

12. How were anti-aircraft weapons made?

Most anti-aircraft weapons were made from field artillery or machine guns.

13. What could airplanes not do on the first aircraft carriers?

Land

14. What did tanks make obsolete?

Trench warfare

15. How did heavy artillery change warfare?

By firing from long distances.

16. What was unique about the Paris Gun?

It was the largest artillery gun ever built.

17. Which country used the most poison gas during the war?

Germany

18. What made the Colt Browning 1895 machine gun automatic?

It was gas operated.

19. How many men did it take to operate a Vickers machine gun in the field?

Six

20. The German maschinengewehr was a copy of which original machine gun?

The Maxim

21. What was the main advantage of the German Mauser 98?

When fitted with a sight it was good for sniping.

22. How many shots could a Lee-Enfield rifle fire before reloading?

ten

23. What made the US Browning superior to the US Springfield?

The Browning could fire 20 rounds.

24. What was the Adrian Helmet designed to do?

Protect soldiers in the trenches from exploding artillery shells.

25. Why did the British and Americans go with the Brodie helmet?

It was more efficient to make.

26. Before the Stahlhelm helmet, what did the German infantry wear on their heads?

A leather Pickelhaube