SIMPLY FACTS

Treaty of Versailles

This revision activity works best if you do it with a friend, and talk about it as you do it.

The bedrock of any answer is the body of facts which you use to prove your points.

Below are twelve topics you may be asked about in your exam – print them off, cut them out, and spread them out on a table.

The Paris peace conference	The aims of Clemenceau at the Paris peace conference	
The aims of Wilson at the Paris peace conference	The 'Fourteen Points'?	
The aims of Lloyd George at the Paris peace conference	The terms of the Treaty of Versailles?	
The reaction of Germany to the Treaty of Versailles	The reaction of France to the Treaty of Versailles	
The reaction of the Americans to the Treaty of Versailles	The reaction of the British to the Treaty of Versailles	
The strengths of the Treaty of Versailles?	The weaknesses of the Treaty of Versailles?	

Print off and cut out the fact-cards on the next two pages.

For each topic, find at least *three* facts you might cite if this topic came up in your exam. For each fact, explain how it is significance to the issue.

1918 election	11 November 1918	18 January 1919
28 June 1919	March 1920	Six battleships
10% of its land in Europe	100,000 men	45 countries
An attempt to starve German children	25 March 1919	Anschluss
Article 231	£6.6 billion	British war debt
Conscription	Demilitarised	Diktat
Dolchstosslegende	Erzberger	Fontainebleau Memorandum
Free trade	German Americans	German newspapers vowed revenge
Harold Nicolson	Isolationist	J.M. Keynes
League of Nations	'Make Germany pay'	Mandates

No secret treaties	Planes	Polish Corridor
Rathenau	Reparations	Saar coalfields for fifteen years
Submarines	The German government resigned	The Germans scuttled their navy
The US Senate did not ratify the Treaty	Thousands of lobbyists	Trade with Germany
'November Criminals'	Clemenceau fell from power in 1920	Alsace-Lorraine
Polish independence	Disarmament	Armistice
Self-determination	'Fourteen Points'	An independent Rhineland
The Rhineland	Germany was invaded (1921)	The 'Big Three'
Wilson fell from power	Kapp Putsch	