



**Speaker 1:** The dominant players in World War I, were the allied forces of Russia, France, and Britain. Pitted against them were the central powers, Germany, Austria-Hungary and the Ottoman Empire of Turkey. By the end of the conflict, 24 countries were involved including Australia, Japan, and South Africa. Of course, the United States also got involved in World War I, but they did not join the war until almost the very end in 1917. In the aftermath of World War I, it is estimated there were 15 million killed.

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