

Post WWI

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- Dissatisfied Powers

- "Revisionist Powers"
- **Germany**
 - Weimar Republic
 - Democracy
 - Only formed it to get better terms at the T of V
 - Everybody hated it
 - No experience with democracy
 - Social Democrats
 - Dominant in Weimar
 - Dissatisfied
 - Workers = no work
 - Soldiers = could have won, but government stopped too early
 - Spartacists = republic too conservative; they were communist
 - Inflation and unemployment
 - German communist party grew
- **Hungary**
 - Karolyi
 - 1918
 - Land reforms
 - *Bella Kun*
 - 1919; overthrew government
 - Communist
 - Nationalized industry
 - *Horthy*
 - 1920
 - Dictatorship
 - Conservative, repressive, persecution
- **Poland**
 - 59 parties
 - Democracy failed
 - *Pilsudski*
 - Dictator of Poland
- **Bulgaria, Albania**
 - Both became dictatorships
- **Czechoslovakia**
 - Only one where democracy worked
 - Remained a republic

- France

- Rebuilding

- Obsessed with security
- Maginot line
 - Along German border
- Debt
- **Ruhr crisis**
 - Ruhr = river
 - Germans angry over paying reparations
 - Britain and France demanded this money
 - Ruhr miners went on strike
 - Because all profits sent to France
 - French occupied Ruhr valley
 - Almost led to war
- Insane inflation
- **Dawes Plan**
 - Negotiations after Ruhr crisis
 - France would withdraw troops
 - Germans would have some time
 - Americans would lend money to help Germany
 - Worked like magic
- **England**
 - Firmly democratic
 - Economic problems
 - Trade
 - Other nations were beginning to industrialize
 - More competition (America)
 - Tariff barriers
 - India developing textiles (in competition with England)
 - Investment drying up
 - High degree of unemployment
 - Coal strike
 - 1926
 - Led to a general strike
 - 6,000,000 workers not working
 - State of emergency
 - Failure
 - Trade Disputes Act
 - 1927
 - General strikes illegal
 - Sympathy strikes illegal
 - Labour Party
 - By mid 1920s replaced Liberal party
 - Zinoviev Letter
 - From Russia to workers in England
 - Fraud

- National Government
 - Coalition of all parties
- Ireland
 - Wanted independence
 - Postponed during WWI
 - Helped Germans during the war
 - Sinn Fein
 - Irish nationalist party
 - Terrorist techniques
 - 1922
 - Independence
- Commonwealth of Nations
 - Voluntarily agreed to help each other economically
 - Canada, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa