

# A mistake leads to World War I

What do you know about World War I?

## Vocabulary

1. attempt    2. alliances    3. nationalists    4. bystanders    5. avoided    6. declaring

## True Story

On June 28, 1914, a group of Serbian \_\_\_\_\_ planned to kill Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo. Their first \_\_\_\_\_ failed—a man threw a bomb at his car, but it bounced off and hurt \_\_\_\_\_ instead. Later, the Archduke decided to visit the injured people. However, his driver took a wrong turn and stopped in front of Gavrilo Princip, one of the attackers. Princip took the chance to shoot and kill the Archduke and his wife.

This mistake led to Austria-Hungary \_\_\_\_\_ war on Serbia. Because of \_\_\_\_\_, more countries joined, and soon, World War I began. A war that could have been \_\_\_\_\_ started because of small but deadly errors.

## Quiz

1. Who did the Serbian nationalists plan to kill?
2. What happened when the bomb was thrown at the car?
3. Why did the Archduke's driver stop in front of Gavrilo Princip?
4. What was the result of the Archduke's assassination?

## True or False

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| 1. The Archduke wanted to see the injured bystanders.                    | True   False |
| 2. Gavrilo Princip was one of the attackers.                             | True   False |
| 3. The assassination of Gavrilo Princip led to the start of World War I. | True   False |

## Conversation

- A: I can't believe the bomb didn't work!
- B: Yeah, it just bounced off! What are the odds?
- A: Well, at least we have another chance.
- B: Look, there's the Archduke's car again!
- A: Quick, take the shot before they drive away!
- B: Got it! This time, we won't miss.

## Discussion

1. Have you ever made a small mistake that caused a big problem?
2. Do you like learning about history? Why or why not?
3. Do you think countries should have alliances? Why?
4. If you could go back in time, what event would you like to see?
5. Can small mistakes change history? Why do you think so?