

Chapter 8 revision checklist

You will need to be able to:

- Describe the main features of the Schlieffen Plan.
- Explain why the Schlieffen Plan failed.
- Explain why stalemate had developed on the Western Front by the end of 1914.
- Describe the main features of trench warfare.
- Explain why neither side was able to achieve a breakthrough on the Western Front 1915–17.
- Assess the significance of new technology such as tanks, machine guns, aircraft and gas.
- Assess the significance of the battles of Verdun and the Somme.
- Assess the main victors of the war at sea.
- Explain why the 1915 Gallipoli campaign failed.
- Explain why Russia left the war in 1918.
- Describe the impact of war on civilian populations.
- Explain the importance of America's entry into the war in 1917.
- Explain why the 1918 German Spring offensive was unsuccessful.
- Understand why revolution broke out in Germany in October 1918.
- Explain why the armistice was signed in November 1918.