Part I Wilson’s Fourteen Points

**Directions: Please read the summary of parts of Woodrow Wilson’s “Fourteen Points” speech of January 8, 1918 (below). Finally, complete the chart.**

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| **What It Says** | **What It Means** | **Cause (if any) It’s A Reaction To** |
| **Point 1**  Open promises of peace, openly arrived at. |  |  |
| **Point 2**  Absolute freedom of navigation upon the seas outside territorial waters. |  |  |
| **Point 3**  The removal of all economic barriers and establishment of equality of trade. |  |  |
| **Point 4**  Guarantees that national armaments (weapons) will be reduced. |  |  |
| **Point 5**  Adjustment of colonial claims, that in determining all such questions of sovereignty, the interests of the people concerned must have equal weight with the claims of the government whose title is to be determined. |  |  |

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| **Point 12**  The Turkish portion of the Ottoman Empire should have a secure sovereignty, but the other nationalities which are under Turkish rule should have an undoubted security of life and an opportunity of independent development, and the Dardanelles should be permanently opened as passage to the ships and commerce of all nations. |  |  |
| **Point 14**  The League of Nations should be formed. |  |  |

**Use the document to answer the following questions.**

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1. How much European land did Germany lose?
2. Which region specifically?
3. To which countries did this land go?
4. What sovereign powers did Germany lose? How would Germany probably react?

1. Was it reasonable to establish the demilitarized Rhineland buffer zone?
2. How would the terms regarding the Saar Basin affect the German economy?
3. How would Germany probably react to these terms?
4. How might German reparations affect the German economy?
5. Why does the infamous "war guilt clause," Article 231 single out Germany and not the other Central Powers?
6. Is this clause accurate? Does Germany warrant more responsibility than other countries? Do the Allies bear any responsibility?