WWI Realities of War: Gallery Walk

Directions: Walk around the classroom and read the following informational posters about WWI. Use the posters, notes, and your prior knowledge of WWI to answer the questions in complete sentences.

Alliances:

- 1. In 1914 name the two sides that were against each other and list their respective countries.
- 2. By 1915 which country switched sides? How did this affect the names of the alliance system?
- 3. Where do you think the Western Front was located? Where was the Eastern Front located?

Trenches:

1. Draw/Label a diagram of a trench

2. Create a T-Chart with things that soldiers might have liked and disliked about the trenches. Include at least 3 items on each side.

Body Lice:

Name___

- 1. Why were body lice such a problem for soldiers in the trenches?
- 2. What did the army do to try and stop soldiers from getting the lice? Did it work?

3. Why were trenches during WWI built? Write a brief 4 sentence summary paragraph.

3. Look at sources B & C. What steps did the soldiers take to try and stop the lice from causing them discomfort?

Trench Foot:

- 1. What caused trench Foot?
- 2. How do you think you would know if you had trench foot, what might be the symptoms that you would see?
- 3. What steps did the army take to make sure soldiers did not catch trench foot?

Trench Rats:

- 1. Why were there so many trench rats during the WWI?
- 2. How big could the trench rat grow?

- 3. Which part of the body would the rats eat first?
- 4. Look at source C. How could you tell if there were rats nearby at night?
- 5. How did the soldiers try to get rid of the trench rats?

Human and Financial Costs of WWI:

- 1. What percentage approximately of Russian troops mobilized for war were injured or killed?
- 2. Which country had the lowest percentage of troops injured or killed? Why do you think? (Look at the main countries discussed in class)
- 3. Which country had the highest percentage of troops injured or killed? Why do you think? (Look at the countries discussed in class)
- 4. How much did each side spend on their military in 1914? (the Triple Entente, and the Triple Alliance)
- 5. In the end how much money did each side spend on WWI? (the Allies and Central Powers) Which side spent the most money on the war?
- 6. What was the difference of money spent from 1914 until the end of the war for each side?
- 7. Do you believe the amount of money spent on a war effects the outcome of a war? Explain why or why not. Does the evidence presented in class support your idea?

