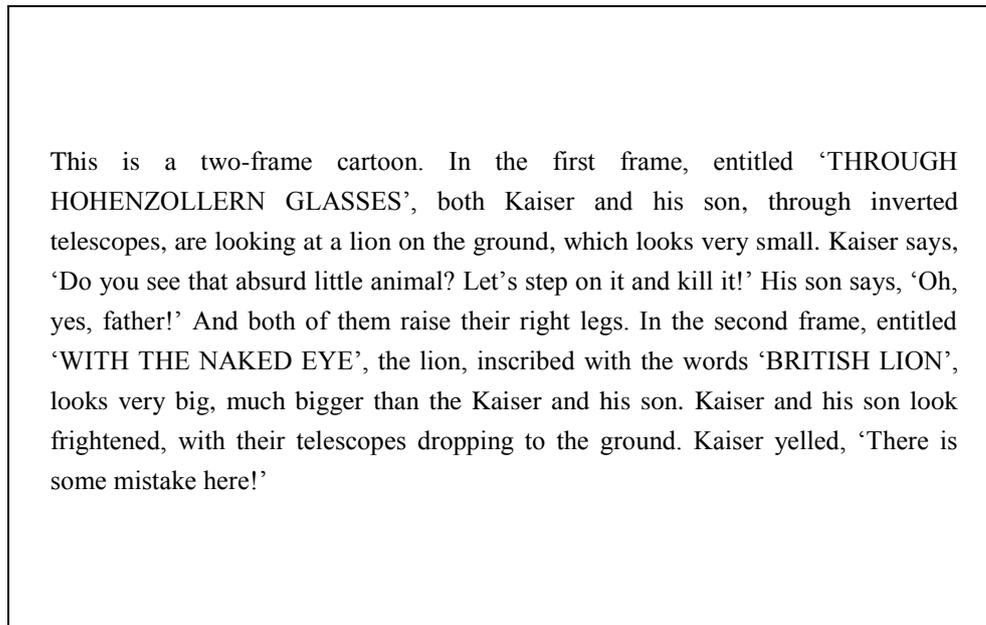


4. Study Sources G and H.

SOURCE G

The following is a cartoon published in a British newspaper in October 1914.



* Hohenzollern: Germany's ruling family

SOURCE H

The following is adapted from the memoir of a German politician about the atmosphere in Germany on the eve of Germany's entry into the First World War.

At express speed I had returned to Berlin. Everywhere people's conversations were of war and rumours of war. There was only one topic of conversation – war. The supporters of war seemed to be in a great majority. Why were these warlike fellows, young and old, out of their mind? Why were they so ignorant of the horrors of war? Vast crowds of demonstrators paraded. Schoolboys and students were there in their thousands; veterans of the German-French War (1870-71) were there too in huge numbers.

Patriotic demonstrations excited the war-mongers to excess. 'A call like the voice of thunder.' 'In triumph we will hit France to the ground.' 'Hurrah! Hurrah!'

'It is the hour we yearned for – our friends know that,' 'another forty years of peace would be a national misfortune for Germany,' shouted the Pan-German papers that had for years been shouting for war.

- (a) Suggest a caption for the cartoon in Source G. Justify your choice with reference to Source G. (3 marks)
- (b) Do you think that the author of Source H would support Germany's participation in the war in 1914? Explain your answer with reference to the language used in Source H. (3 marks)
- (c) 'The First World War was caused primarily by the miscalculations of the European powers.' Do you agree? Explain your answer with reference to Sources G and H and using your own knowledge. (7 marks)

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