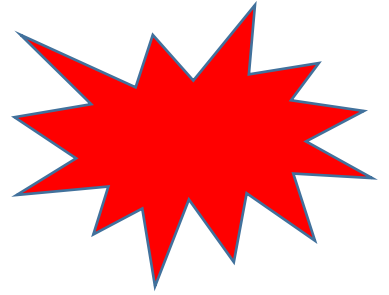
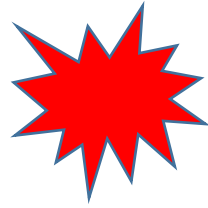
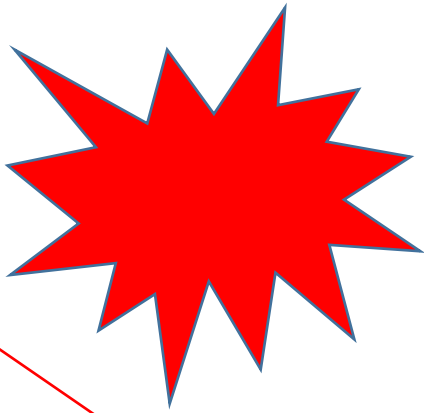


# THE POWDER KEG EXPLODES



## **Provoking Incident: Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand**

- Sarajevo, Bosnia - On June 28, 1914, Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria, who was on a royal trip to Bosnia, was shot dead by Serbia assassins. Most Bosnians and Serbs despised Austro-Hungarian control.
- This was the spark that began the war:
  - Austria-Hungry blamed Serbia for the assassination and presented them with an ultimatum. Serbia refused the ultimatum.
  - On July 28, 1914, Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia.
  - Russia came to Serbia's aid and Germany supported Austria-Hungary.

