**Powerpoint 1 – Group 1**

*WWI: initial phases, Italy from neutrality to interventism, the start of a mondial war and of the trench war, the role of women*.

**To contextualize the historical events students can use class history book *Comunicare storia*,pp. 75–85.**

**Trenches** [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HfKUd8bvQfc&list=PLB2vhKMBjSxMU2-UiexaQ\_pwpxxgQUdat&index=4**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HfKUd8bvQfc&list=PLB2vhKMBjSxMU2-UiexaQ_pwpxxgQUdat&index=4)

**Worksheet 1**

**The Christmas truce (1914)**

[**https://www.iwm.org.uk/history/voices-of-the-first-world-war-the-christmas-truce**](https://www.iwm.org.uk/history/voices-of-the-first-world-war-the-christmas-truce) **+** [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KHoVBK2EVE**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KHoVBK2EVE) **(to show in classroom)**

**Role of women in WWI**

[**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cVSjzuvThE&list=PLB2vhKMBjSxMnPf1W6yFMInKoPDitA7gC&index=9&t=4s**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cVSjzuvThE&list=PLB2vhKMBjSxMnPf1W6yFMInKoPDitA7gC&index=9&t=4s)

After the murder of Francis Ferdinand of Hapsburg in Sarajevo the 28 June 1914, Austria declared war to Serbia one month later. Europe was divided in two blocks, *Triple Entente* and *Triple Alliance*. Germany wanted to defeat France quickly, but this tactic failed and was created the Western front. Italy joined war in 1915 only, allied with Great Britain, Serbia, Russia and France. On the Italian front against Austria-Hungary started the trench war too. But not all soldiers feel each other as enemies….

The *position war* is the consequence of a high amounts of armaments and artillery reached during the years before 1914 by all the countries involved in WWI. Being men in the trenches, women have a now pivot role in society.

**DOMANDE E/O QUESTIONI DA TRATTARE NELLA PRESENTAZIONE**

1. Explain briefly the territorial situation of Europe in 1914 and which countries are allied (use a map).
2. Which are the features of trench war?
3. Show other students a photo a trench from *worksheet 1* and explain its parts.
4. Are trench built in straight lines? Why?
5. How were soldiers’ kits?
6. What is the no man’s land?
7. All soldiers feel a strong patriotic feeling? (show the video about 1914 Christmas truce).
8. The role of women during WWI: explain their tasks and jobs using data too.
9. What did women gain from WWI?