

## **“Securing the Peace”**

Read the article detailing Wilson’s role in the negotiations at the Paris Peace Conference and answer the questions below on a separate sheet of paper.

1. How was the Russian Bolshevik movement affected by World War I?
2. What factors contributed to the surrender of Germany in 1918?
3. Read the July 1917 quote from Woodrow Wilson on page 13. What is he suggesting about post-war negotiations?
4. What factors contributed to the political difficulties Wilson faced before his participation in the Paris Peace Conference?
5. List the Big Four and the countries they represent.
6. The Allied Big Four discussed the question of whether to invite the conquered Germans and the new Russian Bolshevik government to the peace conference and its negotiations but decided against it. Was this decision justified? Explain your reasoning.
7. Why did Wilson have such difficulty seeing his Fourteen Points written into the Peace Plan?
8. Define Article X of the League of Nations Covenant. What problems with the covenant did some Americans have?
9. Who was Henry Cabot Lodge? How did he respond to the draft League of Nations Covenant?
10. The idea of self-rule, which Wilson advocated, was not included in the Treaty to the extent Wilson had hoped. Why not?
11. Why were many Germans angered at the terms of the treaty?
12. How did Wilson’s views on the League of Nations compare to the views of the other members of the Big Four?
13. How was the Treaty of Versailles received by the American public? By Congress?

## **“What Wilson Wanted vs. What the World Got”**

Read the summaries of the Fourteen Points and the Treaty of Versailles and complete the chart and two questions on the back of this page.