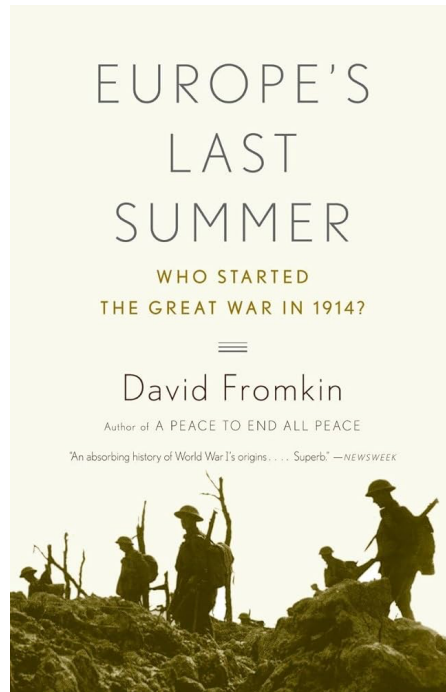


**IB History of the Americas II- World**  
Summer Reading Assignment

*Europe's Last Summer: Who Started the Great War in 1914?* by David Fromkin (2005)



Assignment: You will not need to turn anything in when we return to school; however, we will be doing an activity with our first unit using excerpts from the books. To be successful for this assignment, I would mark important passages in the book with post it notes, tabbing, highlighting, annotating, etc. There is not a specific quantity of marks; however, anticipate what will help you with the assignment.

What should you be looking for?

- What was Europe like in the lead up to the summer of 1914?
- Actions by leaders and nations that escalated or did not act that escalated the conflict.
- Anything that was of interest or “wow” for you about the lead up to the Great War.