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**The Germans**

Bismarck and the German Empire

1. What is Bismarck’s purpose for this looming civil war?
2. What does Germany look like on a map at this point in time?
3. What 2 powers are fighting for control of the German Confederation?
4. What is the purpose of the German Confederation?
5. Why did Prussia leave the German Confederation? How did everyone else view Prussia?
6. What technological advance gives the Prussian armies an advantage over their Austrian forces?
7. What decides the battle? What happens to the war between Austria and Prussia after this?
8. What did Bismarck hope to get out of the war with Austria? How did that differ from King Wilhelm I? Who got their way?
9. What happened between Austria and Germany after the peace agreement?
10. Why was France against southern German states joining up with Bismarck’s Northern German Confederation?
11. Why doesn’t France want a Prussian on the throne of Spain?
12. Why does Bismarck have the advantage in this new war with France? How does this help to unify Germans?
13. Who wins the Battle of Sedan? What happens to Emperor Napoleon III?
14. What do the Germans do to Paris after the Battle? What lasting effects does that have for the Germans and French?
15. How does Bismarck get power and cooperation from Ludwig II of Bavaria?
16. How do the German people react to a unified empire?
17. What is the Reichstag?
18. Who gets to vote now?
19. What does Bismarck think of the groups of people who are wanting social reforms and to get rid of the monarchy? How does he try to get rid of them?
20. How does Bismarck start to lose power in the government?
21. What do people think of Bismarck today?