#### **1.3.1: WILSON'S 14 POINTS**

U.S President
Woodrow Wilson
outlined his 14
points in January
1918; it was his plan
for peace at the
end of WW1.



- 1. No more secret agreements/alliances
- 2. Free navigation of the seas
- 3. Free trade
- 4. Countries are to reduce armaments/military

- 5. All colonies are to become self-governing
- 6. German army to leave Russia and left to develop on its own
- 7. Belgium to be evacuated of German troops
- 8. France liberated and to recover lost territory (Alsace Lorraine)

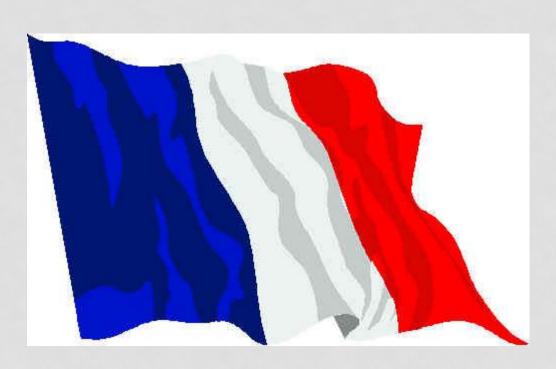
- Italy's borders adjusted to allow all Italians to live in Italy
- 10. Austria allowed to develop on its own
- 11. Balkan states to be evacuated of troops

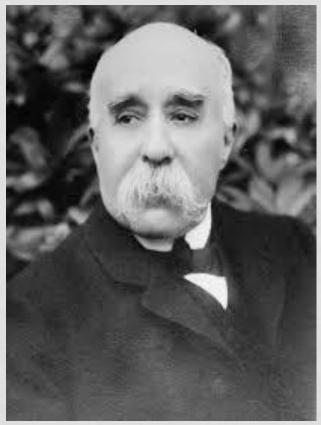
- 12. Turkish people to govern themselves, non-turks govern themselves
- 13. Creation of an independent polish state
- 14. Creation of the League of Nations

# 1.3.1: FRANCE & BRITISH OBJECTIVES AT PARIS PEACE CONFERENCE

• France and Britain were very much involved in the setting of terms at the peace conference at the end of the war, however, they had different goals.

### FRENCH GOALS





**George Clemenceau** 

#### 1. NATIONAL SECURITY:

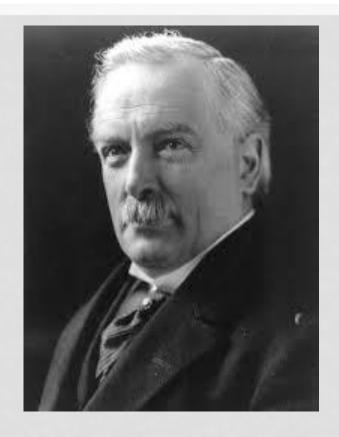
- To ensure national sovereignty France wanted to remove the threat of German military power.
- France demanded the return of Alsace-Lorraine, which they lost to Germany.
- They also demanded the German Rhineland to serve as a buffer zone between the two countries.

- However, if France could not have the Rhineland, it demanded the region to be neutralized.
- The compromise was a demilitarized zone, with no German troops within 50km of the Rhine and an Allied force would be in the area for 15 years.

#### 2. FINANCIAL REPARATIONS:

- France wanted compensation for losses during the war.
- Northern France had been devastated after four years of German occupation.
- The Germans also destroyed what was left as they retreated (fields, mines, factories, railways, etc).
- France negotiated reparation payments in the treaty to cover the costs.

## **BRITISH GOALS**



David Lloyd George



# TO ENSURE SECURITY OF THE SEA LANES:

- This meant that German sea power had to be crippled.
- This was achieved by reducing the German navy to a token force of 6 warships, prohibiting German submarines and redistributing German colonies to the allies.
- Britain was not prepared to support French demands for huge reparations payments or territorial goals.