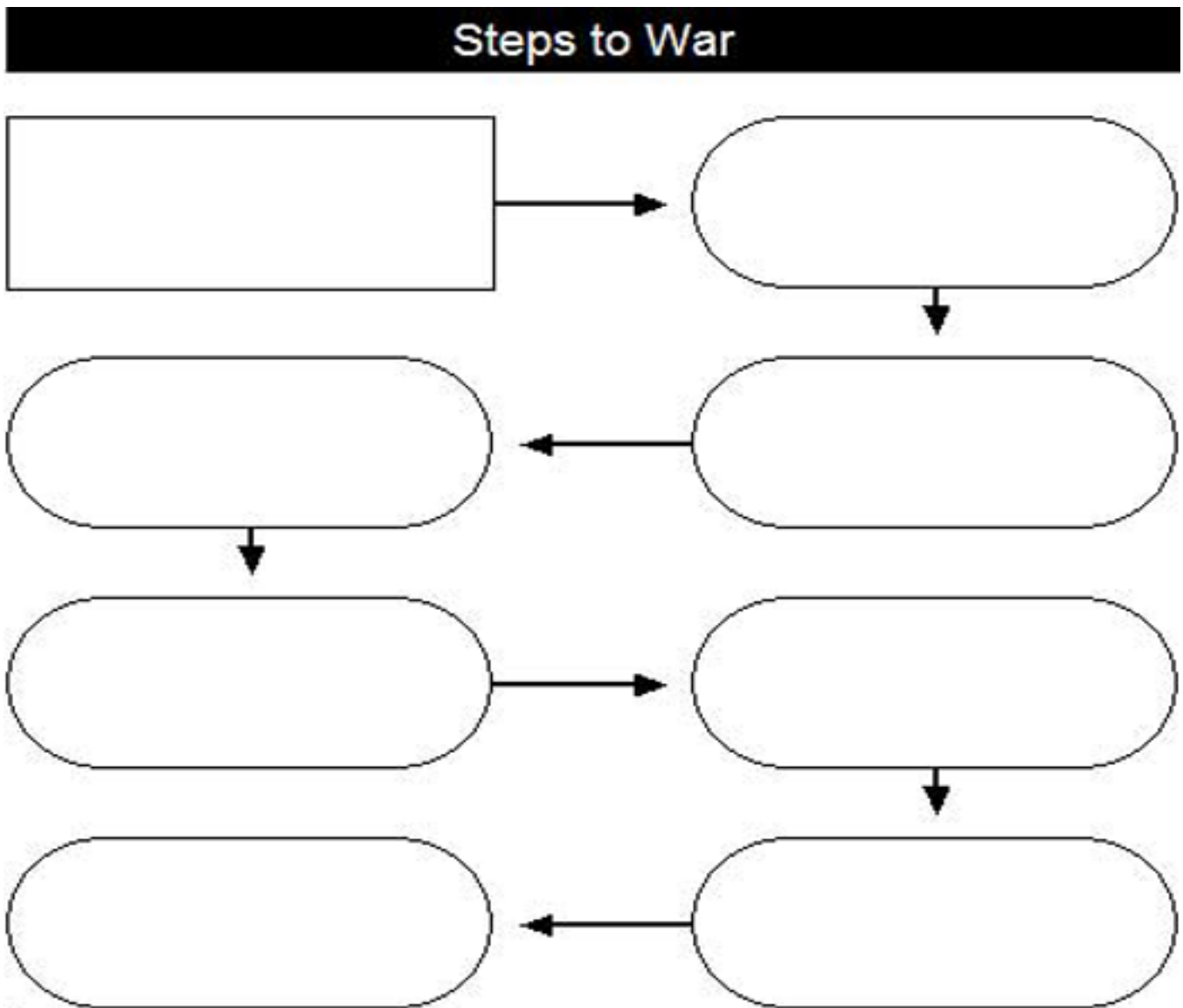


War broke out in Europe over what seems, in retrospect, a minor incident, the assassination of Austria-Hungary's Archduke Ferdinand by a Serbian nationalist. But the system of European alliances was so complex that a minor incident quickly became a world war.

As a result of the Archduke's murder, Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia. Russia declared war on Austria-Hungary to defend Serbia, its small ally. Once Russia was in the war, Germany followed to help its ally Austria-Hungary. France was allied with Russia, so it declared war on Austria-Hungary and Germany. When the German army invaded neutral Belgium on its way to attack France, Britain joined the war, too, on the side of France and Russia. Other nations joined later.

Complete the flow chart below by writing each event above in the correct space. When done, you will be able to see the sequence of events that led to the outbreak of fighting in World War I.



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TASK: Use the information above to create your own poster showing the sequence of events that led to the outbreak of World War I.

- Be sure that whoever looks at your poster can follow the events in the proper *sequence*.
- Your poster must be at least 12" x 18" in size.
- Be sure to check for proper spelling, capitalization, and punctuation.
- Your poster must have an appropriate *title*.