The Eastern Question and the Balkans

...As a result of the Balkan Wars (1912–1913) Serbia had doubled in size and there were growing demands for the union of south Slavs (Yugoslavism) under the leadership of Serbia. Austria had a large south Slav population in the provinces of Slovenia, Croatia, the Banat and Bosnia. Austria was very alarmed at the growing power of Serbia. She [Austria-Hungary] felt Serbia could weaken her [Austria-Hungary's] own Empire.

The Austrians decided that they would have to wage a preventative war against Serbia in order to destroy her growing power. They were waiting for the correct pretext (excuse). When Franz Ferdinand was shot, the Austrians saw this as the perfect opportunity to destroy Serbia. But when she [Austria-Hungary] attacked Serbia, Russia came to her [Serbia's] aid and the war spread....

7a According to Stephen Tonge, what was one cause for tension between Austria and Serbia? [1]
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This is an excerpt of the testimony given by Gavrilo Princip reprinted in *The Sarajevo Trial*. He was accused of assassinating Archduke Ferdinand of Austria-Hungary and his wife in July 1914.

The Hearing of Gavrilo Princip
12 October 1914
In the Afternoon

…Pr. [Prosecutor]: — Call Gavrilo Princip. (He is brought in.) Do you consider yourself guilty?
Acc. [Accused, Gavrilo Princip]: — I am not a criminal, because I destroyed that which was evil. I think that I am good….
Pr.: — What kind of ideas did you have?
Acc.: — I am a Yugoslav nationalist and I believe in the unification of all South Slavs in whatever form of state and that it be free of Austria.
Pr.: — That was your aspiration. How did you think to realize [accomplish] it?
Acc.: — By means of terror.
Pr.: — What does that signify?
Acc.: — That means in general to destroy from above, to do away with those who obstruct and do evil, who stand in the way of the idea of unification.
Pr.: — How did you think that you might realize your objectives?
Acc.: — Still another principal motive was revenge for all torments which Austria imposed upon the people….
Pr.: — What was the feeling about Austria in your circles?
Acc.: — It was the opinion that Austria behaved badly to our people, which is true, and certainly that she (Austria) is not necessary….

Source: W. A. Dolph Owings et al., eds., *The Sarajevo Trial, Volume I*, Documentary Publications

7b Based on this excerpt from *The Sarajevo Trial*, what was one goal of Gavrilo Princip?  [1]

Score [ ]
8 Using information from these images, state one impact Gavrilo Princip’s assassination of Austria-Hungary’s Archduke Ferdinand had on European countries. [1]
9 Based on these maps, what was one change to the political boundaries of Europe that occurred after World War I? [1]