

Chapter Questions for *Guns of August*
Chapter 7: August 1 – Paris and London

1. For what reason(s) did French Premier René Viviani call for a 10-kilometer withdrawal of French troops from the frontier with Germany? (pp. 100-101) Who was the strongest opponent of the plan and why?
2. Explain the significance of the assassination of Jean Jaurès in Paris. (pg. 103-104) What fears and actions did the event spark?
3. Because Russia was a monarchy with a powerful monarch, the Russians had no questions about their mobilization in response to the Franco-Russian alliance. What concerns did Russian ambassador Isvolsky express to French President Poincaré? (pp. 104-105)
4. Despite the earlier formation of an entente between Britain and France, what did the political divide in Britain mean if France went to war with Germany? (pp. 107-114) What did the “war group” believe would convince the “peace group” to commit to fight alongside France?
5. How did French Ambassador Paul Cambon react when it appeared that Britain would fail to support France? (pp. 114-115)