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Directions: Write your topic on the line above. List the required information in the following areas as indicated.

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Think, Pair, Share Topic: Civilian Casualties on the Lusitania

YOUR NAME AND YOUR PARTNER’S NAME:
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WRITE THE QUESTION THAT YOU AND YOUR PARTNER HAVE ABOUT THE LESSON:
Why did the German U-boat that sank the Lusitania not abide by the “Cruiser Rules” for allowing civilians to disembark a vessel before it was captured or sunk?

DISCUSS THE QUESTION AND TAKE NOTES HERE:
The German population was starving and suffering greatly from the British naval blockades and dwindling war supplies.

The German Navy was severely impacted when the British established the blockade.

Germany rationalized the unprovoked attack because they believed the Lusitania was carrying cargo of rifle ammunition and shrapnel shells.

The British didn’t think the Germans would go so far as to attack passengers ships.

Essentially the British were using civilian men, women and children on passengers ships as human shields for military cargo.

The German government blurred the line between civilians and combatants when they sunk the Lusitania.

The sinking of the Lusitania was an erosion of the traditional wartime standards by which wars were conducted for the rest of the 20th century.

COMPOSE YOUR ANSWER TO SHARE WITH THE CLASS:
The Germans were growing desperate as their food and munition supplies were running low due to the British naval blockade. They believed that the British were receiving supplies and munitions from America hidden in passenger ships and they decided to take action by sinking the Lusitania.