

## German Unification

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Leaders</u></b></p> <p><b>Otto Von Bismarck</b> Wanted to unite the German States through “Blood and Iron” Prime Minister of Prussia</p> <p><b>King William I</b> First Emperor of the Unified Germany</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Policies Toward Unification</u></b> <b><u>“Blood and Iron”</u></b></p> <p>Bismarck’s Policy where he believed through War and Industry the German States will be united as one</p> <p>Blood=War Iron= Industry</p> <p>Belief that negotiation and speeches are not the way to achieve unification but rather by force</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Events Leading to Unification</u></b></p> <p>Allied with Austria to take over land from Denmark, they were successful</p> <p><b><u>Austro-Prussian War</u></b> Bismarck turned on his alliance with Austria and the Prussian defeated Austria gaining more German States</p> <p><b><u>Franco-Prussian War</u></b> Tension between the French and Prussians intensified after Bismarck edited the “Ems Dispatch” to encourage the French to attack Prussia.</p> <p>Prussia easily defeated France</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Key Terms</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Militarism</u></b> Glorying of the Military</p> <p>Building up the military</p> <p>Spending a lot of a country's resources on the Military</p> <p><b><u>Realpolitik</u></b> Realistic politics based on tough-minded evaluation of the needs of the state</p> <p>Ends justifies the means</p> <p><b><u>Zollverein</u></b> German trade organization that linked the Economies of the German States</p>