

Week 1 : Key Terms	Week 2: The Russian Monarchy	Week 3: Russia and World War One
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Revolution - a large change.</li> <li>●Capitalist - a belief in economic rights and freedoms.</li> <li>●Communism - is the belief that the state should own all capital and enforce absolute economic sameness.</li> <li>●Bolshevik - A group of extreme communists.</li> <li>●Dictatorship - ruling a country without consent .</li> <li>● Totalitarian - total control</li> <li>●Dynasty - A family that has ruled for many years.</li> <li>●Abdicate—to give up the throne</li> <li>●USSR—Union of Soviet Socialist Republics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tsar—Absolute Monarch of Russia</li> <li>●Absolute Monarch– Monarch (King/Queen) with total control Russia was ruled by a royal dynasty called the Romanovs.</li> <li>●The Tsar was called Nicolas II and his wife was called the Tsarina Alexandra.</li> <li>●The Russian Royal Family were called the Romanovs.</li> <li>●Russia was slow to modernise and had a very poor. and backward economy.</li> <li>●The people had not rights and not freedom of speech.</li> <li>●The Duma was the Russian Parliament before the Russian Revolution.</li> <li>●The Duma was supposed to give some of the citizens a say in the government. However, the tsar still held most of the power.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●Russia was a member of the Triple Entente.</li> <li>●Russia had very few modern weapons.</li> <li>●Russian soldiers were short of supplies and food through out the war.</li> <li>●Russian soldier were treated very badly by their officers. They were often punished .</li> <li>●The Tsar made himself Commander in Chief of the Russian army. This made him very unpopular because the huge number of losses.</li> <li>●1.8 million Russian soldiers died in the First World War.</li> <li>●2.8 million Russian soldiers were injured.</li> <li>●Bolsheviks spread ideas about a revolution to the troops.</li> <li>●The Tsar and Tsarina were influenced by Rasputin, who claimed to have magical powers to help heal their unwell son.</li> </ul>
Week 4: February Revolution	Week 5: October Revolution	Week 6 : Stalin
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●In 1917, Russia faced several challenges.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●People did not trust the Tsarina because she was German.</li> <li>●Russia was short of food and fuel for the cold winter.</li> </ul> </li> <li>●The first revolution was recorded in Russia as being on the 28th February.</li> <li>●After the February Revolution, Tsar Nicholas II was forced to abdicate (give up the throne).</li> <li>●He was replaced with a provisional government.</li> <li>●This government was meant to rule for a short time until the country became stable again.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●In October 1917 the Bolsheviks took over the government. This was the October Revolution.</li> <li>●Lenin, leader of the Bolsheviks, became the leader of the new government.</li> <li>●They thought that all the common working people should share in the wealth of the country.</li> <li>● They took away everything that the tsar’s family had owned.</li> <li>● Lenin made peace with Germany in March 1918, ending Russia’s role in WWI.</li> <li>● Some Russians hated the changes and started a civil war ( 1920 - 1922).</li> <li>●. In 1922 Russia became the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●. Joseph Stalin became leader of the Soviet Union after the founder of the Soviet Union, Lenin, died in 1924.</li> <li>●Stalin was a dictator.</li> <li>●Stalin was one of the most brutal leaders in world history.</li> <li>●He had anyone that didn't agree with him killed or sent to a Gulag (Russian concentration camp).</li> <li>●He also caused famines in areas of the country so people he wanted dead would starve.</li> <li>●Throughout his rule he would order purges where millions of people he thought were against him would be killed or put into slave labour camps.</li> <li>●Historians aren't sure how many people he had killed, but they estimate between 20 to 40 million.</li> </ul>