


History: Year 12 transition work

Revolution and Dictatorship: Russia 1917-1953

Tasks

1. Read the chapter you have been given from 'The Russian Revolution' by Chris Culpin. Then using the table below, make notes about the key issues. You will use this table in your first lesson in September. You are trying to build up a picture of what Russia was like in 1900.

	Notes
<p data-bbox="204 835 576 871">The Geography of Russia</p>  <p data-bbox="209 943 592 1211">A map of the Russian Empire in 1917, showing its vast geographical extent across Europe, Asia, and the Arctic region. The map is color-coded, with green representing the European part and brown representing the Asian part. Major cities and geographical features are labeled.</p>	
<p data-bbox="204 1361 343 1397">Peasants</p>  <p data-bbox="209 1435 636 1738">A black and white photograph showing a group of peasants, likely in a rural setting, sitting around a table. They are dressed in traditional, heavy clothing, and the scene appears to be a meeting or a discussion.</p>	

Nobility



The Church



The Middle Class



Industrial Workers



2. Russian Map work – Print off an A4 map of Russia in 1900. Locate and mark the following:
 - St Petersburg
 - Moscow
 - Tsaritsyn (renamed Stalingrad in 1925)
 - Vladivostock
 - Ekaterinburg
 - Odessa
 - Kronstadt
 - Siberia
 - Ural Mountains

3. Read/dip into a book or a novel about the Russian Revolution so that you begin to get ‘a feel’ for the period. Examples include:
 - A People’s Tragedy, Orlando Figes
 - Natasha’s Dance, Orlando Figes
 - Animal Farm, George Orwell
 - Sashenka, Simon Sebag Montefiore (an excellent novel to read over the summer about the Revolution)
 - The Russian Revolution: History in an hour, Rupert Colley