## Lawnswood School Humanities Department

History A Level Unit Title – The English Revolution 1625-1660

Exam Board - AQA

Unit Code 2E

Textbooks & Resources

- In class textbook 'The English Revolution 1625-1660' J Daniels. Oxford University Press
- AQA recommended secondary textbook 'The English Revolution' Mark Parry & Tom Wheeley Cambridge University Press
- My Revision Notes 'The English Revolution 1625-1660', Oliver Bullock. Hodder Education

AQA recommended reading list link....

## https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/history/AQA-70412E-70422E-RL.PDF

## Mr Steele's recommended reading (A little more accessible!)

- 'The Time Travellers Guide to Elizabethan England' by Ian Mortimer
- Civil War: The History of England' by Peter Ackroyd
- Penguin Monarchs 'Charles I' by Mark Kishlansky

## **Documentaries & Film**

'Charles I – Downfall of a White King' - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8HOUbP3ASDQ</u> this is a vidcast of historian Leanda de Lisle discussing the issues surrounding Charles I.

BBC4 Charles I: Killing a King - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6gD21JjVwmE

'To Kill A King' – Historical Drama from 2013 rated 12A

'Cromwell' – Historical drama from 1970 rated U

## <u>Websites</u>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/civil\_war\_revolution/

https://www.thoughtco.com/english-civil-war-an-overview-2360806

https://www.tudorsandstuarts.com/

**CHALLENGE TASK** – The aim of this is to broaden your understanding about the history of England in the time period immediately before the start of the A level unit.

Produce a power point presentation that gives a summary of ruling monarchs and key events in England from 1509 – 1625. This should share some detailed but concise information about each monarch in this time period, including any major issues and problems that they faced. For a further challenge you could categorise key events or problems into themes such as, religion, rebellion, war etc.. You can present this however you like so be creative but don't forget to include pictures and diagrams. Most importantly, use your own words. Do not just copy & paste!!







#### **History A Level**

#### Unit Title – Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855–1964

#### **Exam Board - AQA**

#### Unit Code 1H

#### Textbooks & Resources

In class textbook – 'Tsarist and Communist Russia', Chris Corry

& Terry Fiehn, Hodder Education

- AQA recommended secondary textbook Tsarist and Communist Russia 1855-1964, Sally Waller, Oxford
- A/AS Level History for AQA Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855–1964 Student Book, Cambridge University Press
- My Revision Notes: AQA AS/A-level History: Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855-1964, Michael Scott-Baumann. Hodder Education

AQA recommended reading list link....

#### https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/history/AQA-70411H-70421H-RL.PDF

#### Recommended reading (A little more accessible!)

- 'A People's Tragedy: The Russian Revolution, 1891-1924' by Orlando Figes
- 'The Penguin History of Modern Russia: From Tsarism to the Twenty-first Century' by Robert Service
- 'Russian History: A Very Short Introduction (Very Short Introductions)' by Geoffrey Hoskins
- 'The Russian Revolution' by Sheila Fitzpatrick

#### **Documentaries & Film**

'The Russian Revolution in Colour' documentary - <u>https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x7ln28g</u> A three part documentary/dramatisation of this dramatic event.

'Last of the Tsars - Nicholas II & Alexandra' documentary - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QpWyFcH-1tE

'Doctor Zhivago' – 1965 film based on famous Russian novel (PG)

'Mr Jones' – 2019 film set in Stalin's Russia

'One Day In the Life of Ivan Denisovich' – 1970 film based on Alexander Solzhenitsyn's real life experience in a Soviet gulag

#### **Websites**

https://www.bl.uk/russian-revolution

https://www.choices.edu/curriculum-unit/the-russian-revolution/

**CHALLENGE TASK** – The aim of this is to broaden your understanding about the history of Russia during the A level unit.

Produce a power point presentation that gives a timeline overview summary of the key events during the period from 1855-1964. It must include something on the key leaders (Alexander II, Nicholas I, Lenin, Stalin, Khruschev) and the main events during their time. You can present this however you like so be creative but don't forget to include pictures and diagrams. Most importantly, use your own words. Do not just copy & paste!!



# **Russia**

Understand how unique Russia is in its culture and history

Use internet resources for research

#### Your tasks:

You are going to research, make a power point presentation, a presentation script and a handout in Microsoft word or publisher on Russia in 1860.

You must include information on the following topics.

- Geography
- Nobility
- Intelligentsia
- Serfs
- Government
- Army
- Church
- Nationalities

To make sure that your power point is effective

- Your font size should be at least 26
- You should include images and maps where appropriate
- Try to include only key points that you will expand upon in your presentation script

For your handout summarise your presentation, not just copy what is in the power point.

For your presentation script – ensure all group members have a role.

Use this (jumbled up) timeline to help you.

1730-1740: Anna Ivanovna, Empress of All Russia

1696-1725: Tsar Peter I the Great, Emperor of All Russia. Began to modernise Russia to make it more westernised such as forcing nobles to have western style beards, wear western style clothes and having a western education. He also founded a western looking city named after himself – St Petersburg.

1801-1825: Alexander I, Emperor of All Russia. Tsar during the Napoleonic invasion of Russia. Despite Russian efforts to stop them the French made it all the way to Moscow but then became disorganised and eventually retreated.

1613-1645: Tsar Mikhail Feodorovich, the first Romanov Tsar. Representatives of 50 cities and some peasants unanimously elected Mikhail Feodorovich Romanov as the new Tsar

1741-1761: Elizabeth, Empress of All Russia

1855-1881: Alexander II, Emperor of All Russia. Tsar Liberator who emancipated the serfs and introduced reforms in the judiciary, military, local government and education. After an assassination attempt reforms were stopped.

1894-1917: Nicholas II, Emperor of All Russia. Survived a revolution in 1905 to be deposed by another revolution in 1917. Nicholas and his family were eventually killed by the Bolsheviks.

1740-1741: Ivan VI, Emperor of All Russia

1676-1682:Tsar Feodor Alexeevich

1796-1801: Paul I, Emperor of All Russia

1725-1727: Catherine I, Empress of All Russia

1682-1696: Tsar Ivan V (joint ruler with Peter I the Great)

1645-1676: Tsar Alexei Mikhailovich

1762-1796: Catherine II the Great, Empress of All Russia. Became ruler after overthrowing her husband. Despite friendships with the great thinkers of the Enlightenment Catherine found it impractical to improve the lives of the serfs and the rights of the nobility were actually increased.

1727-1730: Peter II, Emperor of All Russia

1881-1894: Alexander III, Emperor of All Russia

1825-1855: Nicholas I, Emperor of All Russia

Ivan IV (popularly known as Ivan the Terrible) was the first Russian ruler to assume the title of Czar in 1547. He reigned from 1547-1584. He was an authoritarian and a ruthless ruler. Many people during Ivan's reign were executed at slightest provocation. Ivan is infamous for killing his own son in a fit of rage. Ivan IV died in 1584.

If you have any questions about the course before we start, please email me on richrad.baker@elawnswood.co.uk.