



THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

1 ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN YOUR OWN WORDS

Who ruled Russia until the beginning of the 20th century ? _____

How did most of the population live during this period ? _____

How and why did society change at the beginning of the 20th century ? _____

How did Nicholas II react after the rebellion of 1905 ? _____

Why did many people want Russia to get out of World War I ? _____

What happened in February 1917 ? _____

What were the groups of workers called and where were they set up ? _____

Who led the Bolsheviks and why did the people like them ? _____

How did life change when the Bolsheviks took over power in October 1917 ? _____

How did the treaty of Brest-Litovsk change the borders of Eastern Europe ? _____

What was the "White Army" and what did they want ? Who helped them ? _____

What happened to Tsar Nicholas and his family ? _____

In 1922 Russia officially became _____



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2 MATCH THE WORDS WITH THE DEFINITIONS

A	fuel
B	tsar
C	soldier
D	sign
E	treaty
F	set up
G	join
H	introduce
I	peasant
J	force
K	dissolve
L	prisoner
M	foreign
N	civil war
O	promise
P	rebellion
Q	Communists

	an agreement between two or more countries
	a person who is locked up in a place and cannot get out
	to break up or end
	a poor farmer who doesn't have very much land
	to say that you really want to do something
	what the Bolsheviks called themselves after World War I
	material that produces heat, like coal, oil or wood
	to put your name on an important piece of paper
	to use for the first time
	male ruler of Russia until 1917
	two groups from the same country fight against each other
	if people fight against the government and try to change it
	to start or organize something
	to make someone do something that he doesn't want to do
	a man or a woman who fights for his or her country in a war
	from another country
	to become a member of a group



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3 PUT THE EVENTS INTO THE CORRECT ORDER

- _____ The winter of 1916/17 was very bad and people had nothing to eat.
- _____ Russia officially became the Soviet Union.
- 1** _____ Tsar Nicholas II ruled Russia at the beginning of the 20th century.
- _____ In October 1917 the Bolsheviks took over control of the government.
- _____ After a rebellion he created a parliament called the Duma.
- _____ Workers organized groups called Soviets in all parts of the country.
- _____ Civil war broke out between the Bolsheviks and tsarist soldiers.
- _____ Russia got out of World War I and lost a lot of its land.
- _____ In Petrograd many people demonstrated against the tsar and he had to give up.

4 FIND QUESTIONS THAT HAVE THESE ANSWERS !

PETROGRAD	
GERMANY	
FEBRUARY 1917	
SOVIETS	
LENIN	
BREST-LITOVSK	
THE BALTIC STATES	
WHITE RUSSIANS	
SOVIET UNION	