

**ALevel History Mock Exam Revision Timetable 2024 (Note this is very detailed- these mocks are important but don't do more than 3-4 hours per week in total for History except over Easter you can obviously do more as not in school)**

Week/ Comm	Content to Cover Russia with suggested activities	Complete ?
<p><b>25/03/2024</b>  <u>Note you may wish to start revision during holidays as you have more time.</u>            What were the causes of 1905 Revolution?</p> <p>How did the Tsar survive 1905?  <b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>  <u>Note there is extra revision during holidays as you have more time.</u></p>	<p><b>1. Why was there a revolution in 1905?</b>            Create a huge spider diagram with the following big points- include facts and link the problems to growth of opposition parties and activities e.g. Union of Liberation forming 1904 or Banqueting Campaigns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Peasant problems</li> <li>- Working class problems</li> <li>- Middle Class / liberal problems</li> <li>- Nationalities problems</li> <li>- The actions of Nicholas II</li> <li>- The Russo Japanese war- <u>impact</u></li> <li>- Bloody Sunday as the trigger include all the impact in Russia and wider Empire</li> </ul> <p>Place examples of all the above on the diagram and finally, in a different colour write an explanation of how each one led to the revolution- include links to different groups in society pushing for change.</p> <p><b>2. How well did Nicholas II handle the problems of his reign?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Make a timeline of key events from 1894-1914 with a bullet point about significant/ involvement of key individuals etc</li> <li>- Make a table of Witte and Stolypin's actions/ policies/ reforms and dealing with political opposition include two columns on IMPACT for each one for successes and one for failures- use detail and factual evidence e.g land bank loans etc</li> </ul> <p>Alternative Task: Complete the Cheat Sheet on Causes 1905 with detailed evidence for each factor and at least 3 arguments/ points per factor- you still need as much detail as the other tasks -See example Cheat Sheet on causes of Feb Rev to get idea of depth/ detail needed</p> <p>Practice Paper Questions to plan out:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Which of the following was the greater cause of 1905:            -The Russo-Japanese War            -Political Opposition (10 marks)</li> <li>2. To what extent were the domestic policies of Nicholas II responsible for causing the 1905 Revolution (20 marks) NOTE: Domestic policies includes all of his laws/ policies within Russia and wider Empire but NOT the RJ war.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>1st April 2024</b>  <b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>  <u>Note there is extra revision during holidays as you have more time.</u>            How far did Russia achieve stability prior to WWI?</p>	<p><b>3. Make flashcards on all key individuals from Nicholas' government And political opposition groups/ leading figures; in the Duma and eventual Provisional Government</b></p> <p><b>4. Learn definitions of all key words; from topic 1</b></p> <p><b>5. How far was Russia moving down the road of peaceful constitutional reform 1906 – 1914</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Create a large spider diagram which is divided into two (it was and it wasn't).</li> <li>- Each half should then be divided into political, social and economic.</li> <li>- Use your class notes on this as well as the resources on Its Learning</li> </ul> <p>Alternative Task: Complete the Cheat Sheet on why the Tsar survived 1905 with detailed evidence for each factor and at least 3 arguments/ points per factor.            Complete the Cheat Sheet on how far Russia had achieved stability by 1914 you still need all the same detail/ points you would include on other Tasks above. See example Cheat Sheet on causes of Feb Rev to get idea of depth/ detail needed</p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Which of the following had the greater impact on the economy of Russia under Nicholas II:            -Witte            -Stolypin (10 marks)</li> <li>2. How stable was Russia from 1906 to the outbreak of the First World War? (20 marks) – look at political stability, economic stability and social stability</li> </ol>	
<p><b>8<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>            To what extent did WWI cause the February Revolution?</p>	<p><b>6. Why was there a revolution in February 1917?</b>            Create a huge spider diagram with the following big points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WWI – political consequences e.g. Rasputin and Alexandra</li> <li>- WWI – economic and social consequences</li> <li>- Pre-existing problems in Russian society e.g. Long term issues around agriculture, industry and workers conditions/ living conditions</li> <li>- Role of Nicholas II – failure to reform 1906 –1914 and his policies/ mistakes e.g. Russification- link to impact of war on nat. minorities and losing representation in Duma etc</li> <li>- Role of Political opposition groups- Kadets, LW SRs and Bolsheviks / propaganda, (During WWI - Zemstvo Union, WIC, Prog Bloc)</li> <li>- The Feb Days as a trigger</li> </ul> <p>Make sure you have linked specific causes to diff. groups in society- what pushed groups who were LOYAL to Tsar before into rev? Look for links between groups.            Use your example cheat sheet on causes of Feb Rev to help you.</p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Which of the following was the greater cause of the February 1917 revolution in Russia:            -WWI            -Failure to reform (10 marks)</li> <li>2. How far was Rasputin to blame for the downfall of Tsar Nicholas II? (20 marks)</li> </ol>	

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<p><u>15<sup>th</sup> April 2024</u>  R: How far was the Oct revolution caused by weaknesses and mistakes of the Provisional Govt?/</p> <p>Lenin's Actions/  Trotsky/  Kerensky's Actions/  The Bolsheviks</p> <p><u>What challenges did the Bolsheviks face from 1918?</u></p> <p><u>How did Lenin maintain control?</u></p>	<p><b>7. Why was there a revolution in October 1917?</b>  Create a huge spider diagram with the following big points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mistakes of the provisional government</li> <li>- The rising popularity of the Bolsheviks during 1917</li> <li>- Atmosphere of Revolution in Petrograd</li> <li>- The role of Lenin</li> <li>- The role of Kerensky- (separate from the PG)</li> <li>- The role of Trotsky</li> </ul> <p>After you have finished it try to make flashcards of key stats and facts as well as key individuals and their role e.g. Milyukov, Lvov, Kornilov, Trotsky, Kerensky, Lenin, Kerensky</p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <p><i>1. Which of the following had a greater impact on the fall of the Provisional Government in November 1917?</i>  -<i>The Kornilov Revolt</i>  -<i>The Actions of Lenin (10 marks)</i></p> <p><i>2. To what extent was the November Revolution 1917 due to the weaknesses of the Provisional Government? (20 marks)</i></p> <p><b>8. Evaluate Lenin's problems in 1917 and his how effectively he dealt with them</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Lack of legitimacy e.g. election results Constituent Assembly</li> <li>-WWI</li> <li>-Land problem</li> <li>-National Minorities problem</li> <li>-Food shortages and inflation</li> <li>-Opposition e.g. SRs, Tsarist officers, Liberals- threat of counter revolution</li> </ul> <p>Make a table of all his problems and his solutions to each one- then in the final column have an evaluation of how effective his response was/ successes and failures with evidence- include actions during Civil War to help deal with opposition</p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <p><i>1 Which of the following was of greater importance in the introduction of the NEP:</i>  -<i>The Kronstadt Rising</i>  -<i>Famine in the Countryside (10 marks)</i></p> <p><i>2. To what extent was Bolshevik Victory in the Civil War a result of weak opposition? (20 marks)</i></p>	
<p><u>22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024</u>  R: The Civil War and reasons for Bolshevik victory</p> <p><u>How did Lenin maintain control?</u></p> <p>NEP and Lenin's rule</p>	<p><b>9. Assess the reasons why the Bolsheviks were victorious in the civil war by 1921.</b>  Create a huge spider diagram with the following big points</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Geography</li> <li>2. Propaganda</li> <li>3. Support</li> <li>4. Trotsky and the Red Army</li> <li>5. Leadership</li> <li>6. Weakness of allied help</li> <li>7. Terror</li> <li>8. War communism</li> </ol> <p>After you have the information and evidence on there- try to make links between factors e.g. How did the Bolsheviks use propaganda to attack the Whites for relying on Foreign aid? How did the Bolsheviks utilise the rail network and their position to take advantage of supplies being sent by US and Britain? Complete all these links to establish most important reasons for victory</p> <p><b>10. The NEP and Lenin's Legacy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Causes of the NEP and why was it introduced?</li> <li>-Impact of the NEP on Agriculture? On Industry? How successful was NEP? Did it end opposition?</li> <li>-Critics and opponents of NEP and factions within the Bolshevik Party- Decree on Party Unity</li> <li>-reasons for ideological divides within Bolsheviks</li> </ul> <p>-Successes and failures of Lenin as a leader including during Revolution</p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <p><i>1. Which of the following was of greater importance in Lenin's establishment of control:</i>  -<i>Use of decrees</i>  -<i>The NEP (10 marks)</i></p> <p><i>2. "Divisions in the Bolshevik Party from 1917-1929 were the result of ideological differences" How far do you Agree? (20 marks)</i></p>	

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<u>29<sup>th</sup> April 2024</u>	<p><b>11. Assess the reasons why Stalin was able to rise to power in Russia after the death of Lenin</b> Create a huge spider diagram with the following big points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>his ruthless personality and talents and abilities</li> <li>control over the party administration</li> <li>weaknesses of the left (including weakness of Trotsky)</li> <li>weakness of the right</li> <li>he had better answers to the problems facing the party in the 1920s than anyone else</li> </ul> <p><b>12. Stalin's aims and priorities upon seizing power by 1929</b> <b>-Economic policies- Collectivisation and 5 Year Plans</b> -How successful were his economic policies? Evaluate them in comparison to his aims Make a huge table with his aims down left hand side and a column for collectivisation and a column for industrialisation -5 year plans. Use the columns to analyse successes (one colour) and failures (another colour) of his policies e.g. Aimed to modernise economy – there were both successes and failures on this front. Make sure you include key stats and facts</p>	
<u>6<sup>th</sup> May 2024</u>	<p><b>12. Stalin's Cultural Revolution- Propaganda and the Cult of Personality</b> Make a giant mindmap of all the new policies and ways of cultivating his image and also persuading people to support his policies e.g. through art work, Komsomol etc.</p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Which of the following was of greater importance in Stalin's acquisition of power 1924-1929: -His own strengths -Weakness of his opponents</i></li> <li><i>How successful were Stalin's economic policies? (20 marks)</i></li> </ol>	
<u>13<sup>th</sup> May 2024</u>	<p><b>12. Terror and eliminating the Opposition</b> How did Stalin remove all opposition against him? Make a timeline of increasing oppression- make it very clear how and WHY this increased after the 17<sup>th</sup> Party Congress How did Stalin reform the secret police? Murder of Kirov Purges/ Yezhovschina Show trials against Trotskyites</p> <p><b>13. Living Standards under Stalin</b> Make a table of Positives and Negatives of living standards under Stalin- divide into looking at different groups in society e.g. women, urban workers, peasants <i>Conclude: How far did living conditions improve during Stalin's rule?</i></p> <p><b>Practice Paper Questions to plan out</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Which of the following had the greater impact on Russian society in the 1930s: -Collectivisation -The Five Year Plans</i></li> <li><i>"The growth of the police state was the most important reason why Stalin was able to consolidate his power." How far do you agree? (20 marks)</i></li> </ol>	
<u>20<sup>th</sup> May 2024</u>	<p><b>Plan out past paper questions and revise flash cards of key people</b></p> <p><b>Make flash cards on the different era economic strengths and weaknesses for:</b> <b>1894-1905</b> <b>1906-1914</b> <b>1914-1917</b> <b>Lenin – War Communism</b> <b>Lenin-NEP</b> <b>Stalin- Collectivisation</b> <b>Stalin- 5 Year Plans</b></p>	
<u>27<sup>th</sup> May 2024</u>	<p><b>Key Debates to Revise:</b> <b>-Why did the 1905 Revolution occur?</b> <b>-Why did the Tsar survive 1905?</b> <b>-How far did Russia achieve stability (economic, political, social) by 1914?</b> <b>-Why did the Feb Rev occur?</b> <b>-Why did the Bolsheviks seize power in Oct 1917?</b></p>	
<u>3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024</u>	<p><b>-How did Lenin secure his position?</b> <b>-Why did the Reds win the civil war?</b> <b>-Why was the NEP introduced and how successful?</b> <b>-Why did Stalin emerge as leader in 1929?</b> <b>-How successful were Stalin's economic policies?</b> <b>-How far did Stalin rely on terror?</b> <b>-How far did the Cult of Personality ensure Stalin's control?</b> <b>-How far did living standards improve?</b></p>	
<u>10<sup>th</sup> June 2024</u>	<b>MOCK EXAMS BEGIN x2 weeks</b>	<b>MOCK</b>

14. Make and review flashcards on all remaining key individuals e.g. Zinoviev, Kamenev, Rykov include all relevant content from each key topic they feature in e.g. Rykov—impact of NEP, leadership contest 1924-1929 and purges/ Stalin.
15. Look through your key vocabulary in your course/ revision guide. Do you know all key terms and could you use them in an essay precisely? Test yourself with the meanings.
16. Review all past paper questions- are you confident with them? If you have any issues, use your revision guide, notes, Its Learning to brush up on weak areas before your exam

**Well done on completing your revision and Good Luck!!!! You got this! If Kerensky could survive Lenin and Stalin's purges; you can survive some exams!**

Use your course guides for Russia given to you in September

- Can you remember what each of the key individuals did?
- Do you know your nobles from your nobility?!
- Can you accurately use ALL key terms in a sentence in context?
- Can you go through your topic check list with confidence that you have covered all areas?
- Can you answer all the key questions?
- Can you make a plan for any past paper question using detailed knowledge and examples?

If so- you are ready for your mock exams- congratulations and good luck!

Some extra revision activities if you cannot do those suggested above:

Use Its Learning- there are resources on here for revision

Use Brainscape flashcards- I have sent you all a link to ones I have made or found

Make your own flash cards especially for key people, key words or key stats about something e.g. Causes Feb Revolution

Watching documentaries is not a productive way to revise as you are passively listening- if you watch a documentary- do something with the info- e.g. if watching a documentary on causes of the 1905 revolution- make detailed mindmap from the info. Be prepared to pause and rewind!