

Causes of the Russian Revolution

- A. Romanov Family
- B. Autocracy
- C. Industrialization
- D. Bloody Sunday
- E. Wars



CA Content Standard

- 10.7.1 Understand the causes and consequences of the Russian Revolution, including Lenin's use of totalitarian means to seize and maintain control (e.g., the Gulag).

Content and Language Objectives

- Content Objective- Students will understand the causes of the Russian Revolution and the downfall of the Romanovs.
- Language Objective- Students will take notes and answer questions when prompted.



A. Romanov Family

- Alexander III was the czar (king) of Russia until his death in 1894
- His son Nicholas II took over as czar
- His wife Alexandra was from Germany



Alexander III



Nicholas II



Alexandra



The Winter Palace in St. Petersburg



The
Alexander
Palace in St.
Petersburg



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- What is a CZAR?

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B. Autocracy

- Alexander III's policy of the czar having total power
- Was a harsh ruler
- Wanted to create a uniform Russian culture



- Launched the Pogroms – organized violence against Jews



- Czar Nicholas II continues the policy of autocracy



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-What is Czar Nicholas II known for?

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C.Industrialization

- Nicholas II tries to industrialize Russia
- Led to bad working conditions, low wages, child labor
- Increases resentment towards the czar



- Workers wanted a communist state where the workers controlled the government
- Form groups known as “Soviets”



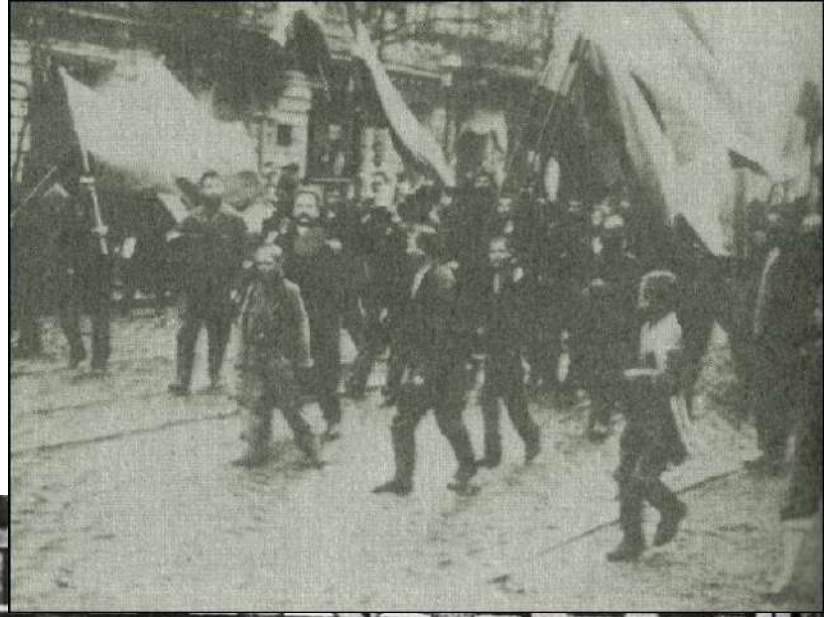
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- What did industrialization in Russia lead to?

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D.Bloody Sunday

- Workers wanted things to change
- January 22, 1905 they went to the Czar's palace
- Were attacked by the guards



- Hundreds of unarmed people were killed



- Nicholas II forced to create the Duma
- People have representation!
- But Nicholas breaks it up



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- What was Bloody Sunday and what did it lead to?

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E. Wars

- 1904 Russia fights in Russo-Japanese War
- Loses
- WWI begins in 1914
- Russia does horribly



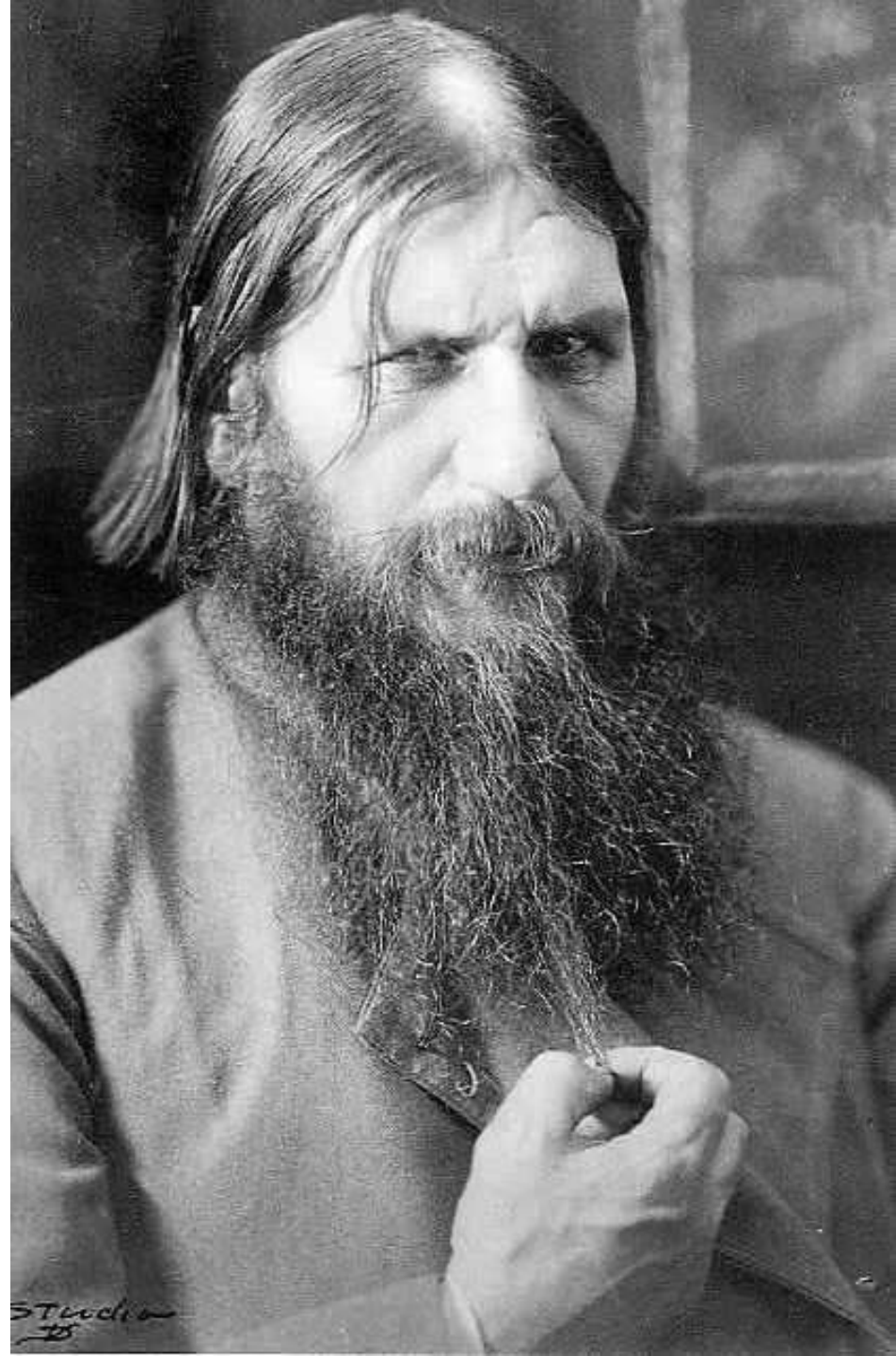
- Nicholas II goes to the warfront and leaves Alexandra (who is German) in charge



- She is influenced by a man named Rasputin
- Russian people believe they are German spies



- Rasputin was murdered in 1916 because of his influence over Czarina Alexandra



- By 1917 the Russian people have had enough
 - No say in the Government
 - Working and Living conditions are miserable
 - Terrible Losses in War
 - On verge of starvation and freezing to death
 - WANT CHANGE and turn to Communism

Closure- CFU

- List 3 reasons the Russians revolted.
- What did the Russian people want?

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Write answers into notes.

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