

Transition work for year 11 students opting for history A level

Dear students,

At history A level we study both Russian and Tudor history along with a piece of coursework (20%) on the fall of Rome.

Russia 1917-53

The following clips will give you a background understanding of the Russian revolution and the NEA coursework element on the fall of Rome. Aim to take a few notes on each. Trotsky is not compulsory but is a fun watch if you have Netflix.

A nice series on Trotsky on Netflix, a good 7 hours for you to binge watch!

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trotsky_\(TV_series\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trotsky_(TV_series))

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cqbleas1mmo>

Oversimplified 21 mins- Russian Revolution.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDz-z92Qc4Q>

The fall of Rome

All links working as of 6/25.

The main areas in year 12 Russian history are as follows. Make some brief notes on each topic so that you have a background understanding of the areas we will be studying.

1917- Long term factors to Revolution, 1905 Revolution and the rise in revolutionary terrorism.

The February and October revolutions- A useful exercise would be to make a 1917 timeline on Russian history.

Bolshevik consolidation and civil war 1918-21-Initial Bolshevik decrees and subsequent civil war which killed millions! Reasons why the Reds won, and the white armies lost.

The Power struggle- 1924-29- Death of Lenin and power struggle that ended with the victory of Joseph Stalin.

Here is a link to a more detailed breakdown of the course content.

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/a-level/history-7042/specification/subject-content/2n-revolution-and-dictatorship-russia-1917-1953>