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RUSSIAN REVOLUTION WEBQUEST

Directions: Use the Russian Revolution Google Sites page from the Google Classroom to complete the webquest.

STEP 1: THE WORLD WARS – TRIAL BY FIRE VIDEO CLIP

1. Where had Lenin been for the ten years prior to the Russian Revolution?
2. Who was behind Lenin's return to Russia? WHY?
3. According to this video, the Soviet Union was formed after what event?

STEP 2: HISTORY VS. LENIN VIDEO CLIP

4. When was serfdom- a form of slavery where farmers are bound to their land- abolished in Russia?
5. Why did few Russians see an improvement in their quality of life after serfdom was abolished?
6. What reforms did the Tsar introduce in 1905 following an attempted revolution? Were these reforms effective?
7. Why was Lenin determined to remove the Tsar from power?
8. What uprising forced the Tsar to abdicate?
9. Who assumed power in Russia following the abdication of the Tsar?
10. How did Lenin return to Russia from exile in Switzerland?
11. When did Lenin assume power in Russia?
12. Why did the Bolsheviks murder the Tsar and the entire Romanov family?
13. Who did Lenin not want to assume power following his death? Was his warning listened to?
14. What kind of regime in Russia is Lenin responsible for establishing?
15. How did Lenin and his Bolsheviks have a positive impact on the history of Russia?

STEP 3: RUSSIAN REVOLUTION BBC WEBSITE

16. What events in 1905 had shaken the Russian Empire?
17. How did the early battles of World War I destroy any hope of national unity?
18. By 1915, how much Russian territory had fallen to the Central Powers?
19. How did the military situation improve in 1916?
20. Why did this success on the battlefield not translate to success on the home front?
21. What events led to Nicholas II abdicating in February 1917?
22. Who held the real power in Russia following the abdication of the Tsar?
23. What caused the downfall of the provisional government in October 1917?
24. What promise did Lenin and the Bolsheviks make upon seizing power?
25. When the Central Powers did agree to a peace treaty, causing Lenin's plan to backfire, who did the Bolsheviks send to negotiate?
26. Due to outrage over the treaty, what internal conflict broke out in Russia? What was the name for the two sides in this conflict?
27. Why were the Reds able to push back the White forces which surrounded them?
28. Why were the Whites not an effective fighting force?
29. Why did the Allied nations intervene in the Russian Civil War on the side of the Whites?
30. What legacy did the Russian Civil War and the Bolshevik victory leave behind?

STEP 4: THE MYSTERY OF ANASTASIA ROMANOV VS. ANNA ANDERSON

After reading the mystery of Anna Anderson website, who do you believe? Why was Anna Anderson able to convince so many people for years that she was possibly the Russian princess?