# Unit Y210: RUSSIA 1645-1741

Note: Based on 2x 50 minute lessons per week

Terms based on 6 term year.

| **Key Topic** | **Term** | **Week Number** | **Indicative Content** | **Extended Content** | **Resources** |
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| **Russia 1645-1698** | 1 | 1-2 | Russia in 1645, social and economic backwardness, problems with the Tsar; personality and rule of Alexis, legalisation of serfdom 1649, church reform and schism 1649, growth of western influence and trade | * Problems of geography, remoteness, communication * Alexis’ background, early life, and aims * Rioting and rebellions * Morozov’s unpopularity * Effects of legalisation of serfdom | * *Alexis: Tsar of All the Russias*, Longworth * *Fractured Europe* (Blackwell), Sturdy * *Europe Unfolding*, Stoye * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |
|  | 3 | rule of Feodor, Golitsyn and relations with the Boyars | * Abolition of the mestnichestvo * Moscow Uprising of 1682 * Actions of Golitsyn especially with the armed forces * Unpopularity of the boyars | * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |
|  | 4 | accession of Peter and Ivan, 1682 and regency of Sophia, role of Streltsi | * Support for Peter from boyars * Strelsi rebellion * Autocratic rule of Sophia | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |

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|  |  | 5 | early life and upbringing of Peter at Preobrazhenskoe, his character and personality | * Temperament, education and views of Peter * Family background and rivalries | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  |  | 5 | attempted coup of Sophia 1689 | * Reasons for coup and reasons for failure | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |
|  |  | 6 | direct rule of Peter and campaigns against Azov | * Effects of failure of campaigns against Azov | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  |  | 6 | embassy to the West 1697–1698 | * Reasons for embassy and extent of success or failure | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
| **The reforms of Peter the Great 1698-1725** |  | 7 | Consolidation of Peter’s power, relations with boyars, reform of dress and beards, Table of Ranks | * Reasons for, success of and consequences of reforms | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
| 2 | 8 | modernisation of alphabet and calendar; | * Reasons for, success of and consequences of reforms | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
|  | 8-9 | reforms in central and local administration, Senate, colleges, new provinces, fiscal reforms, municipal government | * Reasons for, success of and consequences of reforms | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
|  | 9-10 | reforms of the Church; reform of army and navy | * Reasons for, success of and consequences of reforms | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
|  | 10-11 | census of 1719 | * Details of census, effect on Peter’s reforms | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
|  | **11-12** | education; developments in industry and agriculture; position of peasants; St Petersburg | * Role of private enterprise and mercantilism * ‘Forced industrialisation’ and effects e.g. export of iron | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
| **Foreign relations 1645-1725** |  | **13** | Alexis’s relations with Zaporozhian Cossacks and Poland | * Russia-Persian war * Wars against Poland and Sweden to 1667 | * *Alexis: Tsar of All the Russias*, Longworth * *Fractured Europe* (Blackwell), Sturdy * *Europe Unfolding*, Stoye * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady |
| 3 | 13-14 | Influence of Golytsin and expedition to Crimea | * Campaigns in Crimea in 1687 and 1689, reasons for failure | * *Fractured Europe* (Blackwell), Sturdy * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady |
|  | 14 | Relations with China and Treaty of Nerchinsk | * Terms of the treaty * The border * Subsequent relations e.g. Treaty of Kyakhta | * *Fractured Europe* (Blackwell), Sturdy * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady |
|  | 14-15 | Peter’s aims in the Baltic | * Great Northern War * Threat from Sweden | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  | 15 | war against Sweden, defeat at Narva, invasion of Ingria and Livonia | * Reasons for defeat | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  | 16 | Swedish invasion 1707; Turkish war and loss of Azov 1711 | * Reasons for failure against Ottomans * Treaty of Pruth | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  | 16 | military successes in the Baltic and the Battle of Poltava and the Treaty of Nystadt 1721; | * Reasons for success * Terms of the treaty | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  | 17 | reasons for Russian successes and consequences of territorial gains | * Military, economic, social reasons for success * Problems of territorial gains | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
|  |  | 17 | Peter’s campaign in Persia and capture of Derbent and Baku | * Campaign key features and consequences, e.g. for Russo-Ottoman relations | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee |
| **Opposition and reaction 1645-1741** |  | 18-19 | Revolt of Stenka Razin | * Reasons for revolt * Open rebellion * Failure of rebellion and brutality of suppression | * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |
|  | 20 | resistance to westernisation | * Russian culture and folklore | * *The Tsars (Access to History),* Rady * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
| 4 | 21 | revolt and destruction of the Streltsi; | * Conditions and treatment of the Streltsi * Opposition to Peter the Great’s accession * Reasons for destruction of the Streltsi, extent of brutality of suppression | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |
|  | 22 | the Old Believers | * Reasons for split from Church * Schism and suppression from Peter the Great | * *Peter the Great: The Struggle for Power*, Bushkovitch |
|  | 23 | Mazeppa | * Reasons for Mazeppa’s desertion * Politicisation of the desertion, reaction of the church | * *Peter the Great: The Struggle for Power*, Bushkovitch |
|  | 23 | Tsarevitch Alexis | * Military career and self-exile * Return to Moscow and execution | * *Peter the Great: The Struggle for Power*, Bushkovitch |
|  | 23 | extent of westernisation by 1725 | * Influence of Germany * Extent to which state and people had been ‘westernised’ | * *Access to History: Peter the Great*, Swift * *Peter the Great (Lancaster Pamphlets),* Lee * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon |
|  | 24-25 | problems of Russia in the reigns of Catherine I and Peter II, Anne and Ivan VI 1725–1741, the ‘German period’. | * Military expenditure under Catherine I * Disorder under Peter II, family breakdown * Increasing influence of Germans under Anne, resentment of the local nobility * Overthrow of Ivan VI | * *Russia, People and Empire*, Hosking * *Modernisation of Russia*, Dixon * *Making of Russian Absolutism*, Dukes |

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