Vladimir Lenin and the Bolsheviks led the Russian Revolution of 1917.

People & Places

NEW WORDS

3. What is communism?
2. Why was Nicholas II
Revolution in Russia?
1. Why were there many
Revolution in Russia

THINK ABOUT

REVOLUTIONS IN RUSSIA

Why did these revolutions happen?

Revolution was no longer ruled by a czar. The revolution led to 1917 Russia and two major revolutions. After the
absolte rules, these rulers were called czars. In Russia the industrial

Russia is the world's largest

of revolution that changed Western
Europe and Asia. The industrial

Economy in size. It covers parts of

Revolution

Joseph Stalin
Soviet Union
Socialist republics
Union of Soviet
Soviet Russia
Vladimir Lenin
Peter the Great
Nicholas II
Karl Marx
Bolsheviks

arrested
collective farms
civil war
Russian Revolution
communism
Communist
soviets
czars

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Conditions. In 1905 thousands of workers went to
hungry peasants. The peasants believed that a
Communist Government would improve their lives.
He said that workers should start a Revolution.
1848 Karl Marx wrote a book about communism.
A group of Russians called the Bolsheviks wanted
change Russia. The revolutions that took place before
some people tried to start revolutions in order to
Many Russians were killed during the war.
and the czars also invaded Russia in several wars.
czar freed the serfs. But the serfs were not given any
There was no freedom of speech. Some czars made
very cruel. They were often killed by their people.

Workers. They were paid very low wages. Most of the
Russian peasants were forced to work as slaves. These serfs
became the capital of Russia. Leader of the government in 1918, the city of Moscow controlled the Russian government. Lenin was the captured the capital city of Petrograd. Soon after, the Bolsheviks, leaders of the Russian Revolution, returned to power. During the Russian Revolution, Lenin promised to start by the Bolsheviks.

This was the Russian Revolution of 1917. It was the government. Another revolution began in November when the new government was unhappy with the new World War. People became unhappy with the new government. Russian soldiers continued to die in and hungry. People were still poor. They wanted peace. People were still poor. The March Revolution, a parliamentary was started. The new government continued Russia after the

Nicholas II was the last czar of Russia. His soldiers continued to fight and die. He was forced to leave his position as czar. He and his family were then put in a prison. They were killed. People were happy in the streets of Petrograd. Russian people began to organize in Russia. People demanded peace. The streets of Petrograd, Russia's capital city. Other countries also became involved in World War I. In March 1917, an important revolution began in Russia. Soldiers continued to fight and die. Czar Nicholas II continued to rule Russia. He refused to make changes to help the poor. He was overthrown.
not enough food in the Soviet Union. The government owned the land. Lenin had promised more food. But the peasants never got their land. The government owned most farms and industries. Lenin had promised to give

1924. By that time the government owned most

Lenin ruled the Soviet Union until he died in
Bolsheviks called themselves the Communist Party.

The union of Russia and many small republics was the

So called the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union was the

Soviet Socialist Republics or U.S.S.R. It was also

were the new nation, the Union of

In 1922 the Bolsheviks created a new communist

lasted three years. In 1920 the Bolsheviks won

A CIVIL WAR BEGAN. During a civil war, people of the
civil war. The civil war was a war against the Bolsheviks.

Russian. These people were called White Russians. The

Some of them wanted Russia to be ruled by a car

Many Russians did not want the new government.

also took away the power of Russia's church.

control of most farms and factories. The government

out of World War I. Lenin ruled as a dictator. He had

As soon as Lenin became ruler, he took Russia
In the Soviet Union, in Chapter 19 you will learn how communism ended. People in the Soviet Union did not like communism. Many people in the Soviet Union for almost seventy years. But many Russians from czars to dictators. Communists ruled Russia from czars to dictators. The changes the absolute rulers of Russia. 1917 did not bring freedom to the people of Russia. Russian people were up for freedom. But the Russian Revolution of 1905 and French revolutions in the 1700s were. Many more people fight revolutions to get freedom. The world was in process by Stalin. Millions of people in the Soviet Union were killed by many people who spoke out against his government. They were killed by Stalin. His secret police arrested people who were against Stalin. His secret police were arrested by Stalin. His secret police arrested people who were against Stalin. Many people were forced to believe in any religion. Many people had no control of life in the Soviet Union. People had no control of life in the Soviet Union. Joseph Stalin ruled for 25 years. His government still not enough food. that were owed by the government. But there was that were owed by the government. But there was a collective farms. People worked together on large collective farms. Factories were also built. During Stalin's rule, most workers were forced to built a powerful army. Many workers were forced to built a powerful army. Joseph Stalin became the new dictator of the Soviet Union. He made the Soviet Union a major force in the world.
and people in countries all over the world.

This way Karl Marx affected governments, businesses, and nations used to own all farms and industries. Many nations used communism as a system that allows the government Marx's ideas were used to develop communism.

To start revolutions in their nations, including the Bolsheviks in Russia, used Marx's ideas. Very few rich people or poor people. Many people believed that business should be owned by all workers. All people should share wealth. Then, there would be a revolution against the ruling class. They wrote in a short book called The Communist Manifesto. Marx and a close friend wrote about these ideas divided into classes.

that problems would end if people wrote he thought the rich and the poor had different problems. He thought poorer Marx believed that the differences between people became richer and poor people became people became richer and poor people became people to gain wealth. He said that in this way rich people would work hard to prevent conditions in factories. Marx believed the government and business. He also wrote about government and workers. He wrote about

Karl Marx was a German who had many ideas like the government of Prussia.

He also studied different ways of thinking. He shared

At college he studied history, government, and law.

Marx was born in 1818 in what was then Prussia. To bring communist governments to many nations.

Karl Marx (1818-1883)
Pretend you are Karl Marx. Write a short letter to a friend. Tell your friend how you feel about business and workers.

Journal Writing

Nicholas II

Vladimir Lenin

Joseph Stalin

4. Which leader took Russia out of World War I?

Bolsheviks
White Russians

3. Which group wanted Russia to become a communist nation?

czars
presidents
workers

2. Who did Karl Marx say would be the rulers in a communist government?

Nicholas II

Vladimir Lenin

Joseph Stalin

Choose the answer. Draw a circle around the correct answer.

Read and Remember

Unhappy with the new government, was fought in 1917 because people in Russia were ____________

4. The Farmers.

3. During Stalin’s rule, most people worked together on large farms called ____________

2. Under the system of ____________, the government owns all farms.

1. After the year 1900, the rulers of Russia were called ____________.

Communism
Russian Revolution
collective farms

Finish up. Choose the word or words on the correct blank line.

Using Vocabulary

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<td><strong>4.</strong> After the Russian Revolution, the Bolsheviks ruled Russia.</td>
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<td><strong>5.</strong> Millions of people in the Soviet Union were killed or were sent to prison by Stalin.</td>
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Crossword Puzzle

Across

1. The Russian people wanted peace, land, and
   government. Lenin, Stalin, bread

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