# 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
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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
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|  |  | 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
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|  |  | 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
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|  |  | 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
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| **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
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| 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
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|  | 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
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|  | 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
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|  | 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
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|  | **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
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| **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
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| 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
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|  | 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
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|  | 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
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|  | 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
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|  | 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
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|  | 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
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| **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
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|  | 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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