**Russian Revolution Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[The 1917 Russian Revolution explained - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/mod-russian-revolution-reading/)

1. How long did the Romanov monarchy rule Russia?
2. What increased the economic and social stresses in Russia leading up to the revolution?
3. Who was the Tzar of Russia at the beginning of the First World War?
4. Why were the Russian people growing discontent with the Tzar before the war?
5. What ideology did the political groups calling for change in Russia follow?
6. What did communists believe should replace the monarchy in Russia?
7. Why did the popularity of communist political groups increase during the First World War?
8. What event marked the beginning of the February Revolution?
9. What did the protestors during the February Revolution demand?
10. On what date did Tzar Nicholas II sign the official abdication forms?
11. Who were the two main political groups that became influential after the Tzar's abdication?
12. Why was the Provisional Government considered "provisional"?
13. Who was Vladimir Ilyich Lenin?
14. What were Lenin's main criticisms of the Provisional Government?
15. What significant event took place in October 1917?
16. What was the significance of the Bolsheviks taking control of infrastructure like telegraph systems, power stations, and railways?
17. What was the outcome of the October Revolution?
18. What significant decision did the new Bolshevik government make regarding World War One?
19. Who were 'The Whites' and 'The Reds' in the context of the Russian Civil War?
20. What was the fate of Nicholas II and his family during the Russian Civil War?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you have learnt in your readings, answer the question below in paragraph format (e.g. Topic Sentence, Explanations, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*Why did the people of Russia revolt in 1917* ***AND*** *what was the result of the successful revolution?*