

# Getting Ready For **HISTORY**

Your Name

A LEVEL HISTORY

Russia 1851 - 1964


Summer 2024

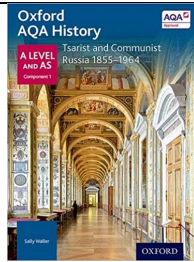
**Instructions:** We are delighted you have chosen to study **History** at Worthing College. This pack will help you make the best possible start to studying this subject. The tasks in this pack should take you **about 4 hours to complete**. You will need to hand the work into your teacher when teaching starts. Make sure you keep the work safe until then and ensure any work you hand in has your name on it. You will get feedback from your teachers on what you have done well and the challenges you will need to meet to achieve the highest possible grade. This will form part of an initial assessment of your progress your teacher will make in the first 2 weeks of the course. All of the materials you need to complete the tasks are in this pack or available on the internet – follow the links in the document.

**If you need help:** The tasks are designed to get a bit more difficult as you work through them as they are preparing you for studying at a higher level and to become an effective independent learner. You should try to get as far as you can working on your own but if you do need help, please email us at [gettingreadyfor@worthing.ac.uk](mailto:gettingreadyfor@worthing.ac.uk), telling us which Getting Ready For pack you are working on and what help you need. Help is available throughout the summer holidays.

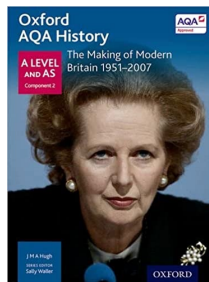
## The state of Russia in the mid-Nineteenth Century

	Type of task	Task	Deadline
	Research	<p>The Russia course begins by looking at the state Russia was in by 1851. The following tasks are designed to give you an introduction to the course.</p> <p><b>Autocracy &amp; the Tsars</b></p> <p>Research the following – write full answers for each task</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is an autocracy?</li> <li>2. Can you give examples of autocracy that exist today?</li> <li>3. Who were the Romanov family?</li> <li>4. How was the Russian Orthodox Church linked to the Romanov family?</li> <li>5. What was the Russian nobility &amp; their role in autocracy?</li> <li>6. Explain how the Romanov's ruled Russia</li> </ol>	First lesson in September
	Research	<p><b>The Russian Empire</b></p> <p>Research the following – write full answers for each task</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How large was the Russian Empire by 1851?</li> <li>2. Name some of the non-Russian countries and nationalities that made up the Russian Empire</li> <li>3. Name some Russian cities</li> <li>4. Where did most Russians live?</li> <li>5. What potential problems do you see with the Russian Empire?</li> </ol>	

	<p><b>Text comprehension</b></p>	<p><b>Serfdom</b></p> <p>Click on the QR code or the link &amp; read the article - then answer the questions below</p> <p><a href="http://www.historytoday.com/michael-lynch/emancipation-russian-serfs-1861-charter-freedom-or-act-betrayal">http://www.historytoday.com/michael-lynch/emancipation-russian-serfs-1861-charter-freedom-or-act-betrayal</a></p>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What was a serf?</li> <li>2. How was serfdom a problem for Russia by the nineteenth century and holding back progress?</li> <li>3. How did the Crimean War act as a catalyst for the emancipation of the serfs?</li> <li>4. Although the serfs were now free peasants they gained few real benefits. What were the downsides of emancipation for the peasants?</li> </ol>	
	<p><b>Research</b></p>	<p><b>The Tsars Alexander II, Alexander III &amp; Nicholas II</b></p> <p>Research the three Tsars - present your research using a series of mind maps that explain the following –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character of Tsar</li> <li>- Main events during their reign</li> <li>- Strengths &amp; weaknesses of each Tsar &amp; their reign</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Textbook</b></p>	<p>Purchase the following textbooks – click on the links for details</p> <p><a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-History-Level-Communist/dp/0198354673/ref=sr_1_2?crid=2YGLUBA2S9JJE&amp;dchild=1&amp;keywords=aqa+russia+a+level+textbook&amp;qid=1593674572&amp;prefix=aqa+Russia%2Caps%2C552&amp;sr=8-2">https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-History-Level-Communist/dp/0198354673/ref=sr_1_2?crid=2YGLUBA2S9JJE&amp;dchild=1&amp;keywords=aqa+russia+a+level+textbook&amp;qid=1593674572&amp;prefix=aqa+Russia%2Caps%2C552&amp;sr=8-2</a></p>	



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## Work Experience week

All year 1 students are required to participate in a week-long work placement during their first year of study. You will be expected to locate one week's worth of work placement and submit your work experience form before October half term.

### Placement Dates:

L2/L3 students on double /triple qualifications:

1 week course-specific placement, expected placement dates will be confirmed by the course leaders at the beginning of September.

Students with 2 or more single subjects:

1 week placement during the Easter holidays or w/c 23 June 2025

You can find the work experience form [HERE](#)  
More information and guidance can be found [HERE](#)