

History: Revolutions Units 3 and 4

History, Revolutions will help you to understand the causes, processes and patterns in violent and radical change in societies. Students explore revolutions and evaluate the causes of tension and conflicts and the role played by ideas, movements and leaders in revolutionary struggles. Students will also evaluate the role of ideas such as the Enlightenment, liberal democracy, Marxism, liberty, equality and nationalism, as well as significant leaders and movements in shaping the revolutionary struggles.

UNIT 3

Students will examine:

The French Revolution (1774-1798)

Students will examine the role and significance of ideas, leaders, movements and events in the chosen revolution. An analysis of the challenges facing the emerging new order, and the way in which attempts were made to create a new society will be conducted.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Study of paintings, drawings and cartoons, essays, film analysis, role plays, group tasks, research activities and historiography exercises.

KEY SKILLS REQUIRED

Reading, group and class discussions, formal writing and ICT activities.

ASSESSED TASKS

Analysis of visual and or written documents, research report, analytical essays and historians' interpretations.

UNIT 4

Students will examine:

The Russian Revolution (1905-1924)

A second revolution will be explored in Unit 4. The causes of social and political tensions and divisions will be examined. The difficulties or crises faced by revolutionary groups or governments as a new state will be investigated.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Group tasks, role plays, analysis of propaganda posters, documentaries and research activities, formal essays
historiography exercises.

KEY SKILLS REQUIRED

Reading, analysis and synthesis, essay writing, research, analysis of historical sources and historians' interpretations.

ASSESSED TASKS

Analysis of visual and or written documents, research report, analytical essays and historians' interpretations

Historiography exercise, essay and an end of year written examination.

VCAA ASSESSMENT - The overall Study Score will consist of:

School Assessed Coursework Unit 3 (25%), School Assessed Coursework Unit 4 (25%), 2 hour written examination in November (50%).