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# VCE UNITS INFORMATION

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## VCE History: Revolutions Units 3 and 4

### CONTENT

In Units 3 and 4 Revolutions, students investigate the significant historical causes and consequences of political revolution. The course is divided according to two revolutions, Unit 3 – the French Revolution (1774 – 1795) and Unit 4 – the Russian Revolution (1896 – 1927). Revolutions are caused by the interplay of ideas, events, individuals and popular movements. Their consequences have a profound effect on the political and social structures of the post-revolutionary society. Post-revolutionary regimes are often threatened internally by civil war and externally by foreign threats.

For the two selected revolutions, both areas of study must be undertaken.

### OUTCOMES

#### Units 3 and 4

- Students should be able to analyse the causes of revolution, and evaluate the contribution of significant ideas, events, individuals and popular movements
- Student should be able to analyse the consequences of revolution and evaluate the extent of change brought to society

### ASSESSMENT

The following four assessment tasks must be taken over Units 3 and 4:

- Research paper, analysis of visual and/or written documents, historiographical exercise, and an essay
- School Assessed Coursework for Unit 3 contributes 25% towards the overall study score
- School Assessed Coursework for Unit 4 contributes 25% towards the overall study score
- The level of achievement for Units 3 and 4 is also assessed by an end of year examination which will contribute the remaining 50% towards the study score