

# History

## Transition tasks

### Tudors preparation:

- Make a timeline of the events of the War of the Roses
- Make a fact file about Henry VI, Earl of Warwick (the Kingmaker)

### Russia preparation:

- Make a family tree of the Romanov dynasty – can you make links to any European leaders?

### Essay Challenge tasks:

1. The Romanov Dynasty was destined to fall. Do you agree?
2. What was the most important reason for Henry Tudor's victory at the Battle of Bosworth?

## Reading list

### Fiction:

- Wolf Hall – Hilary Mantel
- Anna Karenina – Leo Tolstoy
- The White Princess – Philippa Gregory

### Non-Fiction:

- Any article from History Extra
- Orlando Figes: A people's tragedy

## Useful websites

- History Extra – lots of really good pages and podcasts to listen to. Type in a topic & look out for the microphone symbol for podcasts
- BBC In our Time podcasts
  - The Romanovs: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0bfxm8>
  - The Battle of Bosworth Field: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b01ghc43>

## Films and documentaries to watch

### Documentaries:

- Land of the Tsars – Part 4 in particular – available on Youtube
- England's Bloody Crown – especially Part 4 – available on Youtube
- Trotsky – available on Netflix
- BBC4 – Empire of the Tsars: Romanov Russia

### Fictional TV Shows:

- The White Queen
- BBC 2 The Hollow Crown: The Wars of the Roses
- The Tudors (available on Amazon Prime)