

THE WORLD IN TRANSITION SERIES

Educational Materials for the Social Studies Classroom

***RUSSIA AND THE OTHER FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS
IN TRANSITION***

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LESSON 1 – RUSSIA AND THE OTHER FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS: AN OVERVIEW												
ACTIVITY TITLE	SOCIAL SCIENCE DISCIPLINE						SKILLS					MIDDLE SCHOOL APPLICATION
	U.S. HISTORY	WORLD HISTORY	GEOGRAPHY	GOVERNMENT	ECONOMICS	ELECTIVES	MAP ANALYSIS	PROBLEM SOLVING	DATA ANALYSIS	RESEARCH PROCESS	DOCUMENT ANALYSIS	
<i>Activity 1</i> Where in the world is Russia?		Modern political boundaries	Perspective taking and time zones				*					Yes
<i>Activity 2</i> Who are the people of Russia and the other newly independent states?			Cultural geography		GDP		*		*			Yes
<i>Activity 3</i> What is the history of the region?	Cold War	Development of empire				Regional studies			*	*		With adaptation

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LESSON 2 – POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT												
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<i>Activity 1</i> What types of government have emerged in the wake of communism?	Foreign policy	Post-Cold War		Post-Cold War		Regional studies			*	*		No
<i>Activity 2</i> What is the status of political reform in Russia?	Foreign policy	Post-Cold War		Political parties		International studies			*		*	With adaptation
<i>Activity 3</i> What is the prospect for the growth of democracy in the region?	Foreign policy	Contemporary politics		Contemporary politics	Economic Development			*	*	*	*	With adaptation

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LESSON 3 – ECONOMICS												
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<i>Activity 1</i> What efforts have been made to revitalize the Russian economy?		Current political problems			Economic development				*		*	No
<i>Activity 2</i> Are Russians better off today than under communism?		Current political problems			Transition economics				*	*	*	No
<i>Activity 3</i> How have corruption and misplaced consumerism accompanied Russia's experiment with a capitalist economy?		Current Russian problems			Allocation of resources				*		*	Yes

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LESSON 4 – SOCIETY, CULTURE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT												
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<i>Activity 1</i> How have social and cultural life changed since the breakup of the USSR in 1991?		Current problems		Social welfare	Allocation of resources	Social issues		*			*	Yes
<i>Activity 2</i> What are the most critical types of environmental problems facing Russia and the other former Soviet republics?	Foreign aid	Post-Cold War	Environmental issues			World problems	*		*	*		Yes
<i>Activity 3</i> What efforts will be required to address the environmental problems in the region?		Environmental problems	Environmental issues			Environmental problems					*	Yes

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LESSON 5 – FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES												
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<i>Activity 1</i> What regional tensions and ethnic issues play a role in determining Russian foreign policy toward the other newly independent states?		Post-Cold War	Geopolitical			Ethnic studies	*		*		*	Yes
<i>Activity 2</i> What type of foreign policy does Russia have today?	Foreign policy	NATO		International relations							*	No
<i>Activity 3</i> What are Russian concerns about the expansion of NATO?	Foreign policy								*			Yes

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LESSON 6 – U.S. INTERESTS												
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<i>Activity 1</i> What are the critical issues the U.S. faces in its relations with Russia today	Foreign policy	U.S.- Russian relations		Current politics		Global politics					*	Yes
<i>Activity 2</i> What has been the impact of the START treaties and the Nunn-Lugar program on nuclear disarmament in the former USSR?	Foreign policy	International relations			Foreign aid		*		*	*	*	No
<i>Activity 3</i> What has been the impact of American business on the Russian economy?	U.S. business	Global business			Global economy				*		*	Yes