1905 – 1924

Put the Events in Order

Name _____ Date _____

These 10 events from the Russian Revolution timeline are out of order. Write a number from 1 to 10 in each box, from the earliest event (1) to the latest (10).

☐ **Lenin Dies — Stalin Rises**
Vladimir Lenin dies in January after years of declining health; Joseph Stalin outmaneuvers rivals including Leon Trotsky to take control of the Soviet Union.

☐ **New Economic Policy**
Lenin introduces the New Economic Policy, allowing limited private enterprise to revive the economy after the devastation of war and civil war.

☐ **The 1905 Revolution**
On Bloody Sunday, soldiers fire on peaceful marchers heading to the Tsar's palace in St. Petersburg; strikes and uprisings spread across Russia.

☐ **Treaty of Brest-Litovsk**
The Bolsheviks sign a humiliating peace treaty with Germany, surrendering vast territories including Ukraine, Poland, and the Baltic states.

☐ **Russian Civil War**
The Bolshevik Red Army fights the anti-Bolshevik White Army — backed by Britain, France, the US, and Japan — in a brutal civil war.

☐ **February Revolution**
Mass strikes and soldier mutinies in Petrograd force Tsar Nicholas II to abdicate; a provisional government of liberal politicians takes power.

☐ **October Revolution**
On the night of October 25-26, the Bolsheviks seize key government buildings in Petrograd and overthrow the provisional government in a nearly bloodless coup.

☐ **Execution of the Romanovs**
Tsar Nicholas II, his wife, and their five children are executed by Bolshevik forces in Yekaterinburg.

☐ **World War I Devastates Russia**
Russia suffers catastrophic military defeats and millions of casualties; food shortages grow severe as the war economy breaks down.

☐ **Lenin Returns to Russia**
Vladimir Lenin, leader of the Bolshevik Party, returns from exile with a radical program: immediate peace, land for the peasants, and power to workers' councils called soviets.

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1918–22	8.	Russian Civil War
1921	9.	New Economic Policy
1924	10.	Lenin Dies — Stalin Rises