

Worksheet: The October Revolution

Consolidation and analysis

Contrast October with February: this was a deliberate, organised seizure that exploited the Provisional Government's failures.

Q1. What were the key demands of Lenin's April Theses?

Q2. For each Provisional Government failure, name the Bolshevik slogan that exploited it: continued the war; bread shortages; delayed land reform.

Q3. Explain how the Kornilov Revolt strengthened the Bolsheviks.

Q4. "The Bolsheviks did not seize power in October 1917 so much as the Provisional Government lost it." To what extent do you agree? Support your answer with evidence.