

Cut out the 12 statements below and arrange them in chronological order to produce a timeline of the February revolution\*.

Soldiers and workers set up the Petrograd Soviet.

Russia entered the First World War.

The Duma set up a Provisional Government.

Soldiers mutinied and joined the riots.

Workers at Putilov steelworks in Petrograd went on strike.

Tsar Nicholas abdicated.

The Tsarina called in the Army to crush the riots.

The Duma urged the Tsar to take action but Nicholas tried to dissolve it instead.

The Council of the United Nobility called for the Tsar to step down.

International Women's Day march and bread riots.

Tsar Nicholas took personal command of the Armed Forces.

Rasputin was murdered by a group of leading aristocrats.

\*In 1917, the Russian calendar had not yet been reformed and it was 13 days behind other countries. It is because of this that we call the 8 - 15 March, the *February* revolution, and the Bolshevik seizure of power of the 6 - 8 November, the *October* revolution.

### Teaching notes

The chronological card sort is also available (for subscribers only) as an interactive sequencing activity. The correct order and relevant dates are provided below. One approach with this is for students complete the card sort and then after you have checked this as a class (the interactive version is great for this), they could then stick the cards into their notes and annotate with the precise date.

<b>August 1914</b>	Russia entered the First World War.
<b>September 1915</b>	Tsar Nicholas took personal command of the Armed Forces.
<b>Late 1916</b>	The Council of the United Nobility called for the Tsar to step down.
<b>December 1916</b>	Rasputin was murdered by a group of leading aristocrats.
<b>7 March 1917</b>	Workers at Putilov steelworks in Petrograd went on strike.
<b>8 March 1917</b>	International Women's Day march and bread riots.
<b>9-10 March 1917</b>	The Tsarina called in the Army to crush the riots.
<b>11 March 1917</b>	The Duma urged the Tsar to take action but Nicholas tries to dissolve it instead.
<b>12 March 1917</b>	Soldiers mutinied and joined the riots.
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<b>13 March 1917</b>	Duma set up a Provisional Government.
<b>15 March 1917</b>	Tsar Nicholas abdicated.