

Timeline Answer Key

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Directions: Fill in the missing blanks.

Year	Events in History	Events in Animal farm
Pre-1917	Lenin introduces Marxist ideas to Russia.	Old Major's introduction of Animalism to animals on Manor Farm.
	Czar Nicholas proves to be an incompetent ruler.	Jones constantly socializes with other farmers and forgets to take care of the animals as a result.
1917	Russian Revolution, ending with the abdication of Nicholas II (March 15).	Battle of the animals against Jones, and Jones flees.
	October Revolution.	Battle of the Cowshed.
	Communists seize control of the government.	Instead of meetings of all animals to decide things, pigs make decisions and announce their decisions to the other animals.
	Start of labor camps.	Pigs encouraged the animals to work hard on the farm.
1917-23	Start of religious persecution.	Moses flees farm during rebellion.
1923	Beginning of the struggle between Stalin and Trotsky.	Different opinions between Napoleon and Snowball are apparent.
1924	Death of Lenin.	Napoleon is openly antagonistic to Snowball's ideas.
	Lenin's body mummified and put on public display.	Old Major's skull displayed and animals file by it.
1929	Trotsky deported.	Snowball chased away by the dogs.
	Start of Industrialization.	Building of the windmill.
1929-32	Failure of Five-Year plans.	Destruction of windmill by storm.
	Propaganda figures concerning the success of the the Five-Year plans released to the public.	Show fake food stores to representatives of other farms to prove animals are not starving.
	Communists begin to abuse their power.	Pigs take priveleges and begin to change commandments to justify their actions.
1932	Starvation of millions of people who did not want to work for Stalin.	Hens starved to death when they did not want to sell eggs.

1933	The US and other countries recognize the USSR.	Other farms recognize Animal Farm and trade develops.
1934	Failure of cooperative farms.	Crop production falls year by year.
	Cheka formed.	Dogs introduced.
	"Secret Police" become official.	Dogs helped Napoleon search through the private belongings of the animals.
1936	Show trials of Stalin's opponents.	Death of four pigs, three hens, goose and sheep.
1939	Non-aggression pact between Germany and Russia.	Deal between Animal Farm and Frederick.
1941	German invasion of Russia.	Banknotes for woodpile were not worth anything. Frederick invades Animal Farm.
1941-45	Germans penetrate deeply into Soviet Union and devastate the country.	Frederick pushes animals into farm buildings and blows up the windmill.
	Russians drive Germans out of Soviet Union.	Animals react with fury and push Frederick off the farm with heavy losses.
1945	Treaty to divide Germany.	Treaty with Pilkington.
Post 1945	Five-Year plans focused on heavy industry to the exclusion of consumer goods.	Windmill finished but not used to benefit the people.
	Pro-Stalin propaganda and rewriting of history.	Outlaw "Beasts of England" and have "Spontaneous Demonstrations" of planned patriotism.
	Religious tolerance begins.	Moses returns to farm and talks about Sugarcandy Mountain again. Pigs allow him to stay but don't believe him themselves.
	The Great Purge; loyal citizens are removed when they are no longer useful.	Instead of being given comfortable retirement, Boxer is taken to the slaughterhouse.
	The Allies have a falling out at the end of World War II.	Meeting of other farmers at Animal Farm at which all salute and applaud each other, but finish with accusations of cheating.
	Stalin's brutality becomes apparent.	Animals forget original ideals and pigs become men.