**PERESTROIKA AND GLASNOST Questions**

1. how was Gorbachev different from previous soviet leaders?
2. What issues did he face when he assumed control of the soviet union?
3. explain what perestroika and glasnost are and how they would undue the soviet union.

**The Economic collapse of the soviet union**

1. why was the soviet system not working? In your opinion, why does the free market system work?
2. How much was the soviet union spending on maintaining its military?
3. what was star wars?
4. explain how the peace movements in western europe were the useful idiots lenin spoke of to advance the soviet cause in the later 20th Century.
5. what two elements kept the soviet union together which, when gorbachev began his reforms, they were no longer there and the collapse of the soviet union was all but inevitable?
6. explain how oil spelled the doom of the soviet union.

**FALL OF THE SOVIET UNION**

1. WHAT WAS THE SOVIET UNION TECHNICALLY BASED ON AND WHY DIDN’T IT WORK?
2. NAME THE MEMBERS OF THE USSR IN 1922 WHO WAS ADDED SHORTLY AFTER AND THEN AGAIN AFTER WW2?
3. GIVEN THAT THE GERMANS INVADED ESTONIA WHY WOULD ESTONIANS FLEE WITH THEIR GERMAN INVADERS AND NOT REMAIN AROUND TO WELCOME THE SOVIETS AS LIBERATORS?
4. DESCRIBE LIFE IN COUNTRIES CONTROLLED BY THE USSR.
5. EXPLAIN WHAT MAKES A MAN LIKE PUTIN A LEADER THAT MANY RUSSIANS SUPPORT.