**Unit 6: Russian Revolution & Rise of the Dictators**

**Short Answer Questions**

**Directions:** In a short paragraph (6-8 sentences) answer each of the following questions related to the unit of study. The questions must be submitted digitally using [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com); **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Number and answer each question separately.

1. Explain the events that led Czar Nicholas II to abdicate his throne in the spring of 1917.

2. Explain the difference between the February/March revolution and the October revolution.

3. Detail why the various factions fighting against the Red Army ultimately unable to defeat them during the Russian Civil War.

4. How did the American policy of being an isolationist nation impact the League of Nations and Europe as a whole?

5. Explain how the Great Depression opened the door for dictators to rise to power throughout Europe.

6. Explain the political ideology of “fascism”. What were some of the tools Mussolini used to establish and maintain control in Italy?

7. What events led Russia to transform into the Soviet Union (USSR)?

8. What were Stalin’s 5-year plans? How did they impact the Soviet Union, both positively and negatively?

9. Trace how Hitler and the Nazi party ultimately rose to power?

10. What were some of the tactics that the Nazi party used to maintain control in Germany? Why were so many Germans so willing to follow these new policies?