

English IV- Mrs. Debra Nunn

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Follow the directions below to complete your summer reading assignment:

Before reading Animal Farm, please read the following information on the Russian Revolution and Marxism. I have listed two websites that will help you understand both or you may find your own. Your website must be reliable and you must document your source. Complete the background reading on Marxism and the Russian Revolution and answer the three questions that follow.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/search?q=Russian%20Revolution>

<http://www.history.com/videos> (see Maxism and the Russian Revolution)

1. In three good paragraphs (one paragraph for each question) answer the following:
 - What is Marxism?
 - What caused the Russian Revolution and what was the outcome?
 - What is a Totalitarian government? Does it work? Why or why not?

2. Read **Animal Farm**
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3. Then complete graphic organizer "Character Chart."

Character Chart

Name _____

Date _____

Character(s)	Characteristics	Russian Historical Figure	Describe parallel to Russian Revolution
Squealer			
MR. JONES			
OLD MAJOR			
SNOWBALL			
NAPOLEON			
Animals: Boxer Clover Moses			
Mr. Pilkington Mr. Frederick Mr. Whymper			