**Absolutism**

**Andrew Marr`s History of the World – *Revolutions***

1. What was absolutism ?
2. What was the movement that helped end it?
3. How did it do this?
4. Case study of how new ideas were already challenging the old regime
* *Scientific discoveries of 17th century Italy*
1. Case study of how absolutism worked outside of Europe – Moghul India
* *Moghul rulers of India from Akbar the Great to Shah Jahan*
1. Case study of how absolutism failed outside of Europe – Moghul India
* *Last Moghul absolute ruler – Aurangzeb*
1. How successful was Moghul absolutism ?

**Duiker & Speilvogel – The Essential World History – *Response to Crisis : The Practice of Absolutism***

1. How did absolutism work in Europe? (5 characteristics)
2. Case studies of absolutism in operation in Europe
* *France under Louis XIV*
* *Prussia under Frederick William the Great ; Frederick II*
* *Austria under the Hapsburgs, especially Joseph II*
* *Russia under Peter the Great; Catherine the Great*
1. Case study of alternatives to absolutism in Europe
* *England under James I; Charles I*
* *Civil War and Cromwell*
* *Charles II & Glorious Revolution*
* *Consitutional monarchy*