**History – Imperial Russia:**Catherine II: Late Period

* French Revolution
  + Will change the way she thinks
* Exiles Radischev
* Start of conflict between monarch and intellectual social critics

Alexander Radishchev

* Father of Russian intelligentsia
  + Intelli… Defined as in opposition of the regime

Legacies of the 18th century

* Westernization of the elites
* Changes to noble status (but still a state creation)
* Deep gap between nobility and other strata
* Expansion of the empire (southward)
* Russia is enmeshed in the European state system

Emperor Paul I

* Untrusting
* Most of reign in seclusion
* Feared he would be assassinated or exiled by his mother
* Lover of Prussian militarism
  + Outfitted whole army in Prussian style
* Hatred of his mother – exhumed her body to bury her by her enemy
* Bans certain styles of French clothing
* Tries to seal the border of fear that French ideas will come into the country
* Tries to remove French based words from the Russian language
* Limits noble representation
* Taxes noble estates and limits power of landowners
* Is eventually murdered and passes power over to next (his brother)

Alexander I

* Mother – Enlightenment \ Father – Militant, order, power, parade
* Reinstate some of Catherine’s laws
* Cuts back on secret police
* Too dangerous to deal with serfdom
  + Pass law encouraging landowners to free their serfs
  + Very small percentage of serfs are actually freed
* Promotes education to help further Russia and promotes people getting more involved
  + Opens several colleges
* Treaty of Tilsit
  + Signed because Russia war with Napolean not going well
  + Defines Europe between France and Russia
  + Allies Russia with France
* Mikhail Speransky
  + Outsider who worked his way up to noble status
  + Great deal of influence on the Tzar
  + Calls for creation of system based on the Duma
    - State Duma helps run government
    - Province Duma runs smaller section of government to help state Duma
    - City/District Duma gives people a voice
  + Removed from power by 1812 due to people disagreeing and wanting him to have less power and influence on the Tzar.

**Alexander I**

* Military Settlements
  + Advisor to his father
* Death
  + Catches cold, cant shake it.
  + Death spurs rebellion