True or False: If false, explain the correct answer.

- 1. Peter the Great was the first Emperor of Russia.
- 2. At the time of Peter's birth Russia was undergoing great change.
- 3. Peter was just a boy when he was crowned Czar.

4. When Peter was a boy, Russian had one of the largest standing armies in Europe.

5. Peter was short and stocky.

- 6. Peter doted on his wife and children.
- 7. Peter organized a military campaign against the Ottoman Turks and Tartars.
- 8. In Europe, Peter was most impressed by Holland.
- 9. While Peter was in Austria, the Streltsy revolted against him.
- 10. Tired of his wife, he had her killed.
- 11. St. Petersburg was built to give the Russians a major port city.
- 12. The war with Sweden lasted only five years.
- 13. Peter believed all men should have to work their way to the top in the military.
- 14. Peter saw Alexei as an excellent heir.
- 15. Peter was succeeded as Russian Emperor by his wife, Catherine.

## **Post-Viewing Questions:**

1. If you were a Russian citizen during the reign of Peter the Great, how do you think you would have responded to his rule, why?

2. How was Absolutism different in Russia than in France?

3. Why did Absolutism in Russia work? What factors caused Absolutism to be an effective form of government?

4. Why did Absolutism in France not work well? What factors caused Absolutism to be an ineffective form of government?