**Time Guidance: minimum of 3 hours**

**The Unification of Italy 1789 – 1896 Pre-Course Preparation**

**Welcome to Italian History!**

In preparation for September we would like you to begin to get a feel for the key events that led to Italy changing from a series of separate and divided states in 1815 to becoming one united country by 1870 and beyond. In order to do this we would like you to complete the series of activities below. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and ideas **IN THE FIRST LESSON BACK IN SEPTEMBER** when this work will be handed in to your Italy teacher.

**Must do administrative tasks ready for first lesson in September:**

1. Buy an **A4 LEVER ARCH** file and **4** dividers and bring this to the first lesson back in September
2. **Please purchase your textbook**: Our essential course reader in this unit is The Unification of Italy, 1789 – 1896 by Robert Pearce and Andrina Stiles, FOURTH EDITION, Hodder Education. The correct ISBN number is 978-1-4718-3859-0. It is available on Amazon for approx. £15.

**Task 1 Chronological Overview:**

Read and highlight key points in the attached worksheet from Graham Darby, ‘the Unification of Italy’.

1. Use the attached Living Graph worksheet to **plot how likely** unification was at each of the six stages. Make sure that you annotate and justify your decisions on the back of the living graph.
2. Based on your living graph and your reading, when did unification look **most** likely and why? And when did it look **least** likely and why? Explain your ideas, using evidence and examples to support your points.

**Task 2 Key Definitions:**

1. Record some ideas for definitions for these key terms; Nationalism, Restoration, Reactionary, Absolute Monarchy, Republican Democracy, Constitutional Monarchy, Temporal power, Spiritual power.

**Task 3 Listen to these radio broadcasts about the history of Italy:**

1. Episode 1 (Must) <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03cf08j>
2. Episode 2 (Must ) http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03dfpjr
3. Episode 3 (Could) <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03f97nz>
4. Once you have listened to all three, write a summary of at least 5 things that you learnt from the episodes. Make sure these include relevant key facts.

If you need any help or have any questions about this preparation work you can contact any of the teachers below by email:

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