

2 Write a narrative account analysing the key events of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan (1979). (8)

You may use the following in your answer:

- The Carter Doctrine
- Muslim Fundamentalism

You **must** also use information of your own.

This question has come up in an exam.

Plan the answer by putting the following events in chronological order. Watch out though 1 of the events is not relevant to the question.

1. The Mujahadeen waged a guerilla war on the government of Kamal. They were supplied with arms by the USA.

2. The USSR were worried that there would be an ally of the USA on their doorstep. So, on 24th December 1979, the USSR invaded Afghanistan.

3. Amin was assassinated on the 27th December, almost certainly by the Soviets. He was replaced by the pro-Soviet leader Babrak Kamal

4. The USA team boycotted the 1980 Soviet Olympics – this was supported by a further 60 countries. It humiliated the USSR and showed how bad relations were.

5. In 1979, there was a revolution in the USSR. The people overthrew the Shah* and replaced him with a Muslim fundamentalist* government.

6. The USSR funded a pro-soviet government in April 1979, but it was quickly overthrown by the people led by Hafizullah Amin in September.

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NOT RELEVANT

This event is not relevant to the question because...

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