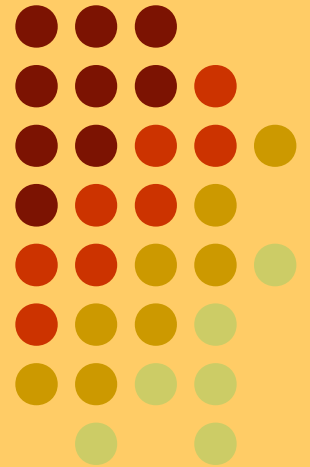


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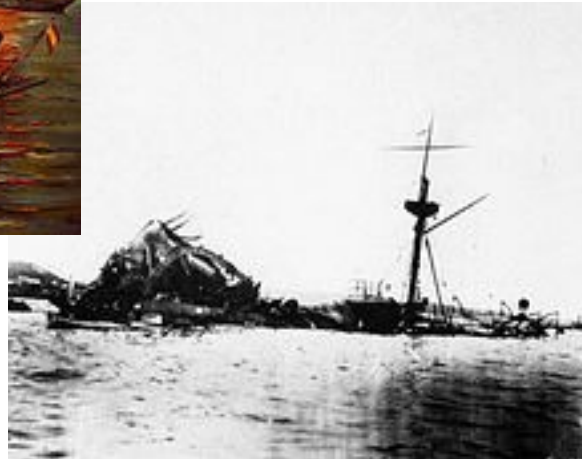


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- Introduction
 - Cuba, the Philippines and Puerto Rico were lost
 - **1898 disaster**
 - Frustration, sadness
 - *Rexeneracionismo*



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- **Alfonso XIII's constitutional reign (1902-1923)**
 - 1876 constitution
 - Two parties
 - Conservative party – Maura
 - Liberal party - Canalejas
 - Ban of religious orders
 - 1909 three crisis:
 - Tragic week in Barcelona
 - 1917 crisis: political, military & trade unions
 - Social riots
 - Defeat in Morocco
 - 1923 Coup d'etat – General **Primo de Rivera**



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- **1923 Coup d'etat – General Primo de Rivera**
 - **The Constitution was suspended**
 - **Dictatorship until 1930**
 - **Criticism after 1927**
- **King's support was lost in 1930**
- **New government**
 - **Opposition to the king**
- **San Sebastian Pact -1930**



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- The **Second Republic**
 - 12th April 1931 – local elections
 - Supporters of monarchy won-caciques
 - Republicans won in capitals
 - King into exile
 - Second Republic - 14th April 1931
 - Alcalá Zamora
 - Democratic Constitution (1931)



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- The **1931 Constitution**
 - Individual freedom of expression
 - Right to divorce
 - Universal suffrage
 - Secular state (any religion, secular education)
 - Decentralized organization
 - Other official languages
 - Welfare state
- First democratic constitution
- Riots – **Azaña** was elected president

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- ***Bienio Reformista (1931-1933)***

- **Main reforms:**

- **Agrarian reform**
 - ***Instituto de Reforma Agraria***
- **Catalonia got its autonomy**
- **Military reform**
- **Labour reforms**
- **Education reform**
- **Civil marriages and divorce**
- **Opposition to these reforms**



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- ***Bienio Reformista* (1931-1933)**
 - **Opposition to the reforms:**
 - **Wealthy landowners, ecclesiastic and army hierarchy**
 - **1932 – coup d'etat – General Sanjurjo**
 - **Anarchists – slow agrarian reform**
 - **1933 - Unpopularity and crisis**
 - **CEDA – Gil Robles – Right political parties**

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- ***Bienio Conservador* (1931-1936)**
 - 1933 – center-right parties won
 - Lerroux – supported by CEDA
 - October Revolution:
 - Successful in Asturias
 - Catalan Republic – Generalitat dissolved
 - February 1936 – elections
- **Popular Front**
 - Left parties – Popular Front
 - Falanxe española – fascist party
 - Riots, burnt churches,
 - Plan to end the republic
 - Calvo Sotelo was murdered
 - Franco's uprising in the North of Africa

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- **Coup d'etat and the division of Spain**
 - **18th July 1936**
 - **Accepted by the church, part of the army, carlistas, monarchics, conservatives and nationals**
 - **Nationals in: Castille, Galicia, Cáceres, Navarre, parts of Andalusia, Balearics and the Canary Islands**
 - ***Xunta de Defensa Nacional* in Burgos**
 - **Republicans in: most of Aragon, North of Spain, Catalonia, Levante, Madrid and most of Andalusia.**
 - **Milicias populares**



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- The Civil War outside Spain
 - Divided international public opinion
 - Conference: France and Britain – no interference
 - Outside support:
 - **Republicans** – USSR
 - **Nationals** – fascist Italy and Germany
 - Many intellectuals supported the Republic
 - **International Brigades**



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- Evolution of the Spanish Civil War - 3 phases:
 - Campaign around Madrid (July 1936- March 1937)
 - Moroccan army to Madrid
 - International Brigades
 - battle of Jarama (Feb 1937)
 - Battle of Guadalajara (March 1937)



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- Evolution of the Spanish Civil War - 3 phases:
 - **The North Front (April-October 1937):**
 - Franco's army to the North
 - Cantabrian coast- Guernica
 - Republicans attacked Brunete and Belchite.



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 - Barcelona was seized



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- **Consequences:**
 - **500,000 casualties**
 - **Many people in exile**
 - **Devastated country**

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- **Life during the War:**
 - **Years of hunger, death and fear**
 - **Rationing after the War**
 - **People afraid of bombs**
 - **Reprisals in both sides**
 - **Imprisoned left-wing leaders**
 - **Supporters of nationals killed by republicans (nuns, priests...)**
 - **Executions in both sides**
 - **Common graves**
 - **Refugees**
 - **Children of the War**

