

Source booklet

Source A: An extract from the diary of P. Sorokin, a Socialist Revolutionary describing the Bolshevik attack on the Provisional Government on 25 October 1917. The diary was published in 1920.

I learned that the Bolsheviks had brought up the warship Aurora and had opened fire on the Winter Palace, demanding the surrender of the members of the Provisional Government barricaded there...There was a team of women and young military trainees bravely resisting an overwhelming force of Bolshevik troops...Poor women, poor lads, their situation was desperate, for we knew the wild sailors would tear them to pieces.



Source B: A source used to praise the work of Lenin before, during and after the October revolution. [Viktor Semenovitch Ivanov](#), *Lenin lived, Lenin lives, Lenin will live forever!* (1967)