

The Mexican Revolution of 1910

Mexico's development into a modern democratic state has gone through many stages. They gained their independence from Spain on September 16, 1810. Fifty years later they needed to fight once again, this time against France, They fought from May 5th, 1862 until June 19, 1867. This successful defense of their nation helped Mexico become recognized as a world class nation. Yet, most of the people of Mexico were still not free to pursue their dreams. They were still basically serfs in a feudal system controlled by the wealthy. Another revolution was needed to bring more freedom to more of the citizens. During the 20th century began a revolution that lasted for the next 90 years.

The video, *Viva Zapata*, will take us through the first 10 years of that modern revolution. It will not only introduce us to the many people and powers that attempted to take control of Mexico, but also to some of the basic cultural conditions that allowed the poor to remain poor and the rich to become wealthier. Please pay special attention to the **relationship** of Mexico's society **to authority**

Definitions of **Paternalism**:

1. system under which an authority undertakes to supply needs or regulate conduct of those under its control in matters affecting them as individuals as well as in their relations to authority and to each other.
2. a policy or practice based on or characteristic of paternalism
3. a governing system whose head is seen as a father figure

Definiciones del Paternalismo :

1. *sistema bajo el cual una autoridad emprende proveer necesidades o regular la conducta de esos bajo su control en las materias que las afectan como individuos así como en sus relaciones a la autoridad y el uno al otro.*
2. *.una política o una práctica basada encendido o una característica del paternalismo*
3. *.un sistema que gobierna que pista se considera como figura del padre*

Your group's three tasks are to:

- A. Write a brief description of your group's Revolutionary Character [see the list below; do the one who has the same number as your group].
Be sure to include information about
 - * when and how they came to power
 - * their beliefs or philosophy [what did they stand for?]
 - * what role they played [President, general, rebel, etc.]
 - * how they lost power and how they died
- B. Create a time line of all the presidents from Porfirio Diaz to Alvaro Obregon.
- C. When your character is first introduced or appears in the movie, your team must
 - * shout **STOP THE VIDEO!, THAT IT IS OUR CHARACTER ON THE TV**
 - * then your team will get up and tell us about him.
 - * After that, the next three times he appears in the movie, your team must shout his name out [just call it out once each time].

At the end of the movie, you will **turn in a typed summary** of your character and a copy of the **timeline**.

- 1) Emiliano Zapata
- 2) Porfirio Diaz
- 3) Pascual Orozco
- 4) Francisco Madero
- 5) Pancho Villa
- 6) Victoriano Huerta
- 7) Venustiano Carranza
- 8) Alvaro Obregon