## **Russia looks West**



- English farmers and European philosophers lived in the "West"
- Peter wanted a port to the West, but his only port city was the cold and wintry Archangel.
- Peter attacked the Turks and won the port city of Azov.
- Peter was still unable to get to the West, because the Turks kept him from getting to the Mediterranean. So Peter went "West" on land. Two of the places he visited were Great Britain and the Netherlands.
- Denmark-Norway and Sweden banded together to fight against Russia.
- The war lasted a long time, but Peter did not give up. He eventually defeated the Swedes.
- Peter made St. Petersburg the capital of Russia.

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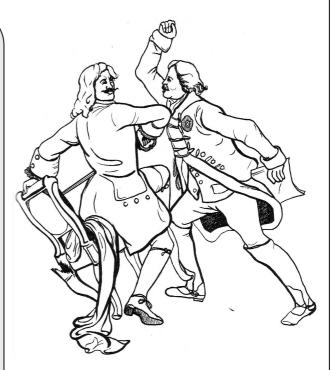
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