WORKSHEET: HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Historical context means understanding how your topic influenced and was influenced by other people, events, and ideas. When you think about historical context, you have to consider what happened both before and after the main events of your topic.

- **Before**
  - What people, ideas, or events took place at the same time that were related to your topic?
  - What were the main events occurring before your topic? What caused it to happen?

- **Main Event - Heart of the Story**

- **After**
  - Why was your topic significant in history?
  - What were the immediate results of your topic?
  - What long term changes took place because of your topic?
  - Did your topic influence people, ideas, or events afterwards?
  - Were there people or movements that influenced it?
  - How was the setting important to this topic?