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master narrative. Revising the Revolution explores the battle for the Russian national narrative and the ways in which history can be used to centralize power"--
