Three Major Periods of Rus' History
882-972  Period of growth & expansion
         Oleg, Igor, Olga, Sviatoslav
972-1054/1132  Period of Consolidation
              Vladimir the Great, Yaroslav the Wise, Vladimir Monomakh
1054/1132-1169  Period of (political) disintegration

Timeline of Major Events
980  Vladimir (Sviatoslavovich) becomes grand prince of Kiev (rules until 1015)
988  Vladimir converts Rus' to Orthodox Christianity
1036 Mstislav dies; Iaroslav becomes sole ruler of Kievan Rus'
1054 Schism between Eastern (Orthodox) and Western (Catholic) Churches
1055 Polovtsy (Cumans) appear in the steppe.
1072 Boris & Gleb are canonized
1096 Polovtsy attack Kiev, burn Pecherskii monastery
1097 Conference at Liubech to resolve succession issues
1113-25 Rule of Vladimir Monomakh in Kiev
1136 Civic uprising in Novgorod, rejects Kiev's right to appoint prince
1169 Prince Andrei Bogoliubskii sacks Kiev

Major People / Concepts with which you should be familiar
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