

Absolute Monarchs & Enlightenment Study Guide

1. How did Louis XIV control the country with absolute power?
Built the palace of Versailles
2. Why did Louis XIV want colonies in the Americas? (pg.
They provided raw materials and markets for finished goods
3. How is the Enlightenment viewed by historians? (pg.
A time of great social progress
4. What were the major ideas and contributions of the following philosophers? (pg.
 - a. Montesquieu- **Separation of Powers**
 - b. Voltaire- **Freedom of Speech**
 - c. Wollstonecraft- **Rights for Women**
 - d. Locke - **Natural Rights (Life, Liberty and Property)**
5. What were the effects of the Enlightenment? (pg.
New ideas that lead to changes in the lives of common people
6. What were the causes of the French Revolution? (pg.
Over taxation on the people, Too much spending by the King, Increased prices of bread
7. Why did the Third Estate create the National Assembly? (pg.
The Third Estate did not think they were being treated equally
8. What was the cause and effect of each of the following events.
 - a. Storming of the Bastille (pg.
Cause: People thought the King's army was coming to attack them
Effect: They storm the Bastille for weapons and gunpowder
 - b. Women's March (pg.
Cause: Hunger and increased bread prices
Effect: Women protest at the Palace of Versailles
 - c. Tennis Court Oath (pg.
Cause: Third Estate was locked out of the Estates-General
Effect: They met in a Tennis Court to form a new government
 - d. The Great Fear (pg.
Cause: Common people hated and feared the nobles
Effect: Fire and violence ripped through the French countryside
 - e. Reign of Terror (pg.
Cause: Robespierre is elected to power within the National Assembly
Effect: 12,000 people are officially executed and 200,000 arrested

9. How did Robespierre respond to people he believed were enemies of the Revolution? (pg.
They were arrested and/or executed
10. Who did he consider an enemy of the Revolution? (pg.
Royals and nobles
11. What did the leaders of the Latin American Revolutions, like Haiti, seek to end? (pg. 247)
European colonization
12. What caused the Haitian Revolution? (pg. 248)
Enslaved people of the French colony stood up against their masters
13. Who were the leaders of the Haitian Revolution and what happened to them? (pg. 248)
Toussaint L'Ouverture- he was imprisoned and died
14. Which French leader wanted to take over Haiti? (pg. 231)
Napoleon - wanted to expand the French empire
15. How did the Haitian Revolution benefit the United States? (pg. 231)
The US was able to purchase land and become more powerful
16. How did the Louisiana Purchase benefit France? (pg. 231)
They sold it to make money to finance war in Europe
17. Why is the Haitian Revolution significant to history? What make it different from other Revolutions? (pg. 248)
It was the first successful slave rebellion
18. What illness caused the French troops to withdraw from Haiti? (no page)
Yellow fever
19. Which Enlightenment idea was successfully implemented after the French Revolution? (pg.
Rights for the common man
20. What was one effect from Napoleon's leadership the French were happy with? (pg.
Nationalism