

The French Revolution Homework Questions

Remember that all questions are worth two points. In order to get both points you must restate the question at the beginning of your answer. Do **NOT** use pronouns ever. All parts of the question must be thoroughly and completely answered to get full credit.

1. Does a leader's background (including how they were raised, how much money they have) determine how good of a leader they can be? Defend your response.
2. What impacts did the American Revolution have on France?
3. What does the organization of the Estates-General tell us about French society?
4. Why does Louis XVI believe the Estates-General will pass new taxes?
5. What is the significance of the Tennis Court Oath?
6. Why do the French people storm the Bastille?
7. Why is the Declaration of the Rights of Man significant?
8. How do panics, such as the Great Fear, affect American politics today? Be specific.
9. Why do Louis XVI and Marie attempt to flee France in 1791?
10. Who are the sans-culottes and what is their significance?
11. What is the significance of the levee en masse?
12. Is Robespierre justified in his actions during the Reign of Terror? Defend your response.
13. Can government be justified in forcing its citizens to have good morals? Defend your response.
14. Why are committees horrible at management?
15. Why is Napoleon able to rise to power?
16. Why is Napoleon known as the "little corporal"?
17. Is Napoleon a liberator or a conqueror? Defend your response.
18. What role do elections play in Napoleon's rise to political power?
19. Why does the Pope crown Napoleon emperor? (from the perspective of the Pope AND Napoleon)
20. Evaluate the Napoleonic Reforms.
21. Why is Horatio Nelson considered the greatest of all British military heroes?
22. Why does the Continental System fail?
23. How is the Duke of Wellington able to defeat Napoleon in battle?
24. How is Napoleon defeated in Russia?
25. What is the significance of the Hundred Days?
26. What would you have done with Napoleon if you were the Grand Alliance and why?