

THE FRENCH REVOLUTION AND THE AGE OF NAPOLEON - KEY

1. What were the problems that France had when Louis XVI became king! **There was no money, long and hard winters, people had little to eat**
2. Who did Louis XVI marry ? **Marie Antoinette, daughter of the Austrian empress**
3. The First Estate was made up of **religious leaders and the clergy**, the Second Estate were **aristocrats and noblemen**, and the Third Estate were **peasants, workers and members of the middle class**.
4. What happened on July 14th, 1789 ? **The Bastille was attacked.**
5. What changes did the National assembly make? Name a few. **They took away land from the church, torture was banned, people elected judges, a constitution was created, normal people could join the army.**
6. Which countries did France fight a war with in the early 1790s? **Prussia and Austria**
7. Which group of rebels were the most powerful during the Reign of Terror ? **the Jacobins**
8. What happened to Louis and his wife ? **they were beheaded**
9. Name two leading figures during the French Revolution . **George Danton and Maximilien Robespierre.**
10. When did the Reign of Terror end ? **in the middle of 1794**
11. Where was Napoleon born ? **on the island of Corsica**
12. Where was Napoleon during the French Revolution ? **He was stationed in Paris and joined the Jacobins**
13. Describe Napoleon's military career ? **he went to a military school; at 16 artillery officer ; in 1796 commander in chief ; battles across Europe; invaded Austria**
14. What happened in the Battle of the Nile ? **Horatio Nelson defeated Napoleon and destroyed most of his fleet.**
15. How did Napoleon reform France. Give a few examples. **modernized the government, founded the Bank of France, created the Code of Napoleon that gave people much freedom, reorganized higher education**
16. Where did Napoleon crown himself emperor ? **at Notre Dame Cathedral**
17. Why did Napoleon invade Russia ? **the Russians did not want to help him fight the British**
18. How did the invasion of Russia end ? **a great disaster for Napoleon; many soldiers died; Russians retreated and burned down everything the French could use; Moscow was completely destroyed**
19. What happened after Napoleon gave up his throne ? **he was banned to Elba near Corsica**
20. What happened after Napoleon escaped from the island? **he ruled France for another 100 days and suffered a final defeat at Waterloo**
21. Where did Napoleon die ? **on the island of St. Helena in the Atlantic Ocean**