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Email is best way to contact. Covers 18th century to present.

Focus of course - starts with enlightenment. Eastern & Western Europe. Emphasis on politics. Cultural & social issues secondary.

Themes: 1) growth of nationalism. Development of nation states.

2) Impact of war on societies.

3) Relationship between central European countries with the rest of the world.

1/22 The French Revolution

I: The "Fronde"

II Constitutional Monarchy

III Radical Republic

IV The Terror

V Thermidor

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1789-1793?

Template for Russian & Chinese revolution. French was a social revolution. Leaders were devoured. American revolution not social. Moments in revolution explain the revolution. Tale of two Cities focuses on terror aspect.

Aristocratic Fronde - July 1788 - July 1789. Before, Louis 14th built Versaille & tried to consolidate power in Paris. Aristocrats reconsolidated power after ~~his~~ Louis 13, 15 & 16 died. Louis 15th was into mistress's & brothel. - Philander. Louis 16th - tinkered with watches, married to Maria Antionette, impotent. 7 years to consumate marriage. She was an outsider - From Austria. Spendthrift on Frivolities.

Played peasant girl, Famous hairstyles. French contributed significantly to American Revolution. Eventually bankrupted crown. Nobles exercised power when King calls Estate General-
Estate General is like Parliament.
1st Estate is clerical. 2nd is nobility.
3rd is everyone else, commoners.
Nobility & church gang up on 3rd estate.
Double the representation for 3rd estate. Demands denied, 3rd estate leaves the Estates General & sets up ~~General~~ National Assembly. Oath of tennis court! 3rd estate meets & works on a Constitution. Louis 16th resists. Brings troops into Paris. People set up their own militia to resist troops. Do not have weapons, July 14, 1789, people storm Bastille in search of weapons. Director of Bastille, troops murdered, radicals take charge of battle. Militia recognized by King. Peasants rebel in countryside & storm manor houses. Wanted control of land. End of Feudalism. Nobiles run out or killed. Aug. 4th, 1789- Nobles renounce feudal rights to National Assembly. Recieve assinats - IOUs to compensate for land. Church also lost most of its lands.

Declaration of rights of man & citizens- contains theoretical basis for constitution. Drew on enlightenment ideas; rationality, rights of all men, liberty, property, security, due process, freedom of religion. Not socialism. Const. of 1791. Equality before the law. Not equality of power. Only 50K of 25 million vote.

Deism - there is a supreme being. Like a clock maker. Creates universe rationally & then steps aside.

Abstract notion of supreme being. Most revolutionaries were Deists. Civil constitution of the Clergy - state pays clergy & takes over churches 1791. State usurps church power. Counter revolution organized by Catholic conservatives. Esp in west of France. Louis 16th flees France - tries goes to Brussels. Captured at border. Placed under house arrest at palace. Louis loses power in Sept. 1792. Radical republic is formed. Paris Commune - Formed. Power center of France. Dominated by middle & lower middle classes. Different than Folks who started revolution. Called sans-culllottes - people who wear long pants. Set up 1st modern political party - the Jacobins. On left - sat on left side of building. Origin of left & right.

New Parliament → convention elected by universal suffarage. Rules with Commune. 1792 - Republic is official.

Conservative monarchies around France wish to put down revolution. Prussians attack at Valmy is thwarted. Miracle of Valmy. Victory strengthens revolutionaries. Emboldened. Sept. massacre - of counter revolutionarys. Innocent people killed. Set the trend for the Great Terror. Many people put off by revolution. Thomas Jefferson supports revolution. Edmund Burke oppose revolution, Reflections upon the French Revolution.

Louis 16th is beheaded. Guillitine was humane way to kill people. More humane than sword & often drunk executioner. 1792 King was executed. Maria was - killed later

& caused many people around the world to turn against the revolution.