

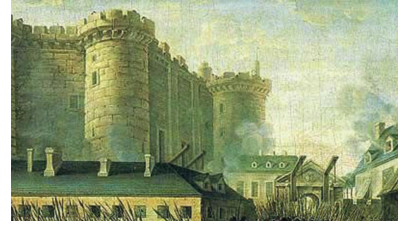
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The French Revolution - Vocab Cards

Bastille]>

the French prison that was destroyed by a group of Parisians on July 14, 1789. It was one of the opening events of the French Revolution. Rebels stormed the _Bastille_ in 1789, one of the first major events of the French Revolution, because the state prison had been considered a symbol of unchecked royal power.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

bourgeoisie]>

the middle class of society.

During the French Revolution, the _bourgeoisie_ were part of the third estate and fought to gain political power that traditionally belonged to the noble class.



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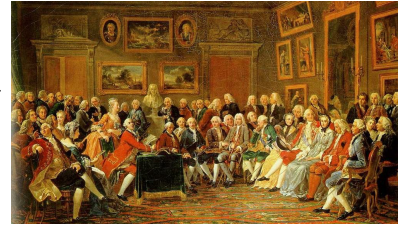
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Enlightenment]>

a philosophical movement in the 18th century marked by the belief in science and logic over religion and tradition.

The _Enlightenment_, a philosophical movement that advocated for the use of reason and rational thought, greatly influenced the supporters of the French Revolution.

Synonyms: Age of Reason



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estate]>

a major social class, especially one having certain political powers, like the clergy, nobles and commons in France.

The three _estates_ in pre-revolutionary France were the clergy, the nobility and the Third, which represented the commoners.



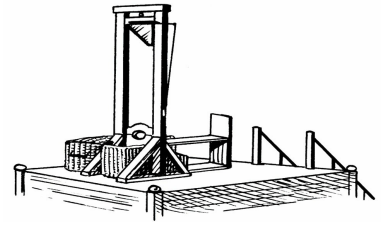
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guillotine]>

a machine for beheading people.

Beheading people with a _guillotine_ was a common method of execution during the French Revolution.



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Louis XVI]>

king of France (1774–92); he and his wife Marie Antoinette were guillotined during the French Revolution.

After being found guilty of treason, the French royals—King _Louis XVI_ and Marie Antoinette—were executed in 1793.



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nobility]>

the noble class of society.

The _nobility_ made up the second estate in France. The rebels tried to weaken the power of that ruling class during the French Revolution.

Synonyms: aristocracy



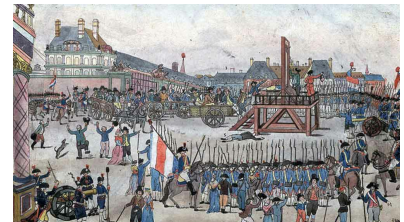
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Reign of Terror]>

the 10-month period of the French Revolution during which more than 17,000 suspected enemies of the revolution were tried and executed.

After King Louis XVI was put to death, Jacobin revolutionaries led the _Reign of Terror_ and executed thousands of people suspected of opposing their government.



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Robespierre]>

French lawyer and revolutionary leader.

Jacobin lawyer _Robespierre_ was the powerful revolutionary behind the French Revolution's Reign of Terror.



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Versailles]>

the lavish French palace that was the seat of the French Monarchy from Louis XIV until the French Revolution.

We made sure to see the Palace of _Versailles_ on our trip to France. We will remember all the paintings and gold trim forever!



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