

## **CLAIM/COUNTERCLAIM RESPONSE INFO SHEET**

<b>The French Revolution succeeded!</b>	<b>The French Revolution failed!</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Abolition of feudalism/serfdom (1789)</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Less land under church control; more land ownership for members of Third Estate</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Less power for hereditary (family-based) elite</b></li> <li>➤ <b>New branches of government formed; “separation of powers”</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Representative government (leaders elected by the people)</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Declaration of the Rights of Man</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Declared universal rights for citizens</b></li> <li>○ <b>Major impact on freedom/democracy worldwide</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Stirred French nationalism</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Influenced 19<sup>th</sup> century movements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Latin American Revolutions</b></li> <li>○ <b>Ideas of socialism (greater equality)</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Napoleon’s reforms</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Tax reforms –fairer for lower classes</b></li> <li>○ <b>Education reforms – lycees</b></li> <li>○ <b>Legal reforms (ex. trial by jury)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Healed conflict with Church</b></li> <li>○ <b>Religious freedoms</b></li> <li>○ <b>Improvements in the economy</b></li> <li>○ <b>Brought stability</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Slavery abolished (1794-1804)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>Violence/chaos in France</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Storming of the Bastille (1789)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Great Fear peasant riots (1789)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Bread riots by urban workers (1789)</b></li> <li>○ <b>September Massacres (1792)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Reign of Terror (1793-1794)</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Decades of war with France’s rivals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>French Revolutionary Wars (1792-1802)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Napoleonic Wars (1802-1815)</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Weak, corrupt, or “too radical” governments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Jacobin rule (1791-1795)</b></li> <li>○ <b>French Directory (1795-1799)</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Autocratic (absolute) rulers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Emperor Napoleon I (1804-1814)</b></li> <li>○ <b>Emperor Napoleon III (1852-1870)</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Napoleon limited freedom of speech &amp; brought back slavery in the colonies</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Instability</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Several constitutions; flipped between absolute monarchy, limited monarchy, and republic</b></li> <li>○ <b>Not firmly established as republic until 1870</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ <b>Religious conflict (de-Christianization)</b></li> <li>➤ <b>Bourgeoisie benefitted much more than poor</b></li> <li>➤ <b>No progress in women’s rights</b></li> </ul>