# Name: Date: The French Revolution: Causes, Characteristics and Consequences

Part I: Timeline – On the timeline below, label at least 8 major turning points in the French Revolution.

(Ming Dynasty) (Scientific Revolu			olution)	(Ame	rican Revoluti	on)	
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1600	1700	1730	1740	1760	1780	1800	1820

# **Part II: Power Point Notes: Long and Short Causes of the Revolution (1787-1789)** 1. How did the American Revolution differ from the French Revolution?

- 2. Describe the following major causes to the French Revolution:
  - A. Financial problems: (military and courtly expenditures):

B. Estates: What were estates? What other system from our past studies does this resemble? Fill out the following chart.

Estate	Who was involved? (what groups?)	What was life like? Any complaints from this group?	Economic power/ rights
The First			
Estate			
The Second			
Estate			
The Third			
Estate			

## C. Economic Depression:

### D. Enlightenment Movement (age of reason):

- 3. What were the Estates-General? What was its purpose? Who was in it? Was it fair?
- 4. Why were many other countries worried so much about the revolution that they threatened war?

# <u>Part III: Movie questions: Characteristics and Short Term Consequences of the French Revolution (</u>1789-1790)

- 5. What were some reasons for Louis XVI not being a good leader?
- 6. Why did the people of France dislike Marie Antoinette? What did they nickname her?
- 7. Who is Maximilien Robespierre and how did he become so influential?
- 8. What was the Tennis Court Oath?
- 9. What happened at the Bastille? Why?
- 10. Who was Jean-Paul Marat? How was he important?

11. After refusing to accept the National Assembly's decrees on the abolition of feudalism and the Declaration of Rights, why did Louis XVI finally agree?

12. What happened when Louis tried to flee France with his family? What were the consequences of his actions?

13. What was the "National Razor"?

14. Who were the sans-culottes?

15. What was the Committee of Public Safety? Who led it?

16. What was the Reign of Terror?

17. What happened to the Catholic Church during the French Revolution?

18. Who was George Danton? What was he like?

19. What ended the Reign of Terror?

**Part IV: Discussion and Power Point : Long Term Consequences (1795-1815)** 20. Finally- What happened in 1799 to completely alter the course of French history- and maybe the world?

21. Who is Napoleon? What was his early life like?

22. How did Napoleon come to power?

23. What specific things did Napoleon change concerning:

a. the Church

b. Laws

c. the government

d. The size of Europe (the empire?)

24. How did Europe respond to Napoleon?

25. What happened to bring about Napoleon's end?

26. Use this packet to put something in each box on the unit chart in Europe.