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French Revolution notes

Review

1. The system of feudalism in 1700s French society was called _____.
2. The **first estate** consisted of the _____. They owned _____% of the land, but only contributed about _____% of its income to the government.
3. The **second estate** was made up of rich _____. They made up _____% of the population but owned _____% of the land. They paid almost _____ taxes.
4. _____% of the population belonged to the **third estate**. The three groups were _____, _____, and _____.
5. One reason this system was unfair was because of the assembly where the first and second estates often outvoted the third estate. This assembly was called the _____.

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Please answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. What kinds of views and ideas were spreading among the Third Estate? What inspired them?
2. Why did many people face starvation in France in the 1780s?
3. What were two of the biggest reasons for the France government's debt?
4. Why was Marie Antoinette known as Madame Deficit?
5. What did the Third Estate delegates later name themselves? What did this establishment do?
6. What did the Third Estate do when they found themselves locked out of their meeting room? What was their pledge called?
7. What was the Bastille and what happened there on July 14, 1789? Why was this event significant?
8. What was the "Great Fear" and how did it affect France?
9. What happened in October 1789? Why did the king and his family move to Paris? What did their exit signal?

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Please answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. What statement did the National Assembly adopt on August 27, 1789? What were some of the main ideas or key points of this statement?
2. With their new constitution, what new form of government did the National Assembly create?
3. What was the Legislative Assembly and what did it have the power to do?
4. Summarize the three general groups of the Legislative Assembly:

Radicals	Moderates	Conservatives

5. Who were the Émigrés? What did they hope to do?
6. Why did the Legislative Assembly declare war on Austria in April 1792?
7. When King Louis XVI was found guilty of treason (the crime of betraying one's country), how was he sentenced to death? Describe how this machine worked.

Compare & Contrast

1. How was the French Revolution similar to the American Revolution? How were they different? Think about the six common causes for revolution: social injustice, economic distress, religious intolerance, enlightenment ideas, unpopular method of rule, and nationalism.