

## **Exciting and Useful Info #5**

### **The French Revolution and Napoleon**

#### **Basic Outline:**

- I. An Overview of the Revolution
- II. Stages of the Revolution
- III. Reasons for Outbreak
- IV. Mood on the Eve of the Estates-General
- V. The National Assembly & the Declaration
- VI. Radicalization
- VII. The Problem of Universality
- VIII. Napoleonic France: Extension or Reversal of the Revolution?
- IX. Consequences for Europe

#### **Terms and People:**

Estates-General (becomes National Assembly and later Constituent Assembly)	
Bastille	Declarations of Rights (1789, 1791)
<i>Cahiers de Doléances</i>	<i>Sans-Culottes</i>
Abbé Sieyès	Third Estate
Declaration of Rights of Man & Citizen	Levy in Mass
Jacobins	Maximilien Robespierre
The Reign of Terror	Republic of Virtue
Louis XVI ( <i>not</i> same as Louis XIV)	Olympe de Gouges
Mary Wollstonecraft	Society of the Friends of Blacks
First Consul	Grand Army
Civil Code ( <i>Code Napoleon</i> )	Battle of Nations (Leipzig)

#### **Major Stages of the French Revolution:**

- 1789-1792: From Monarchy to Republic  
1792-1794: The Terror and the Republic of Virtue  
1794-1799: The Directory  
1799-1815: Napoleon Bonaparte and the French Empire

#### **Some dates you might wish to note:**

14 July 1789	Storming of the Bastille (French National Holiday)
27 August 1789	Declaration of Rights of Man and Citizen
September 1792	Monarchy is abolished
January 1793	Execution of Louis XVI
July 1794	Fall of Robespierre (the Thermidorian Reaction)
1804	Napoleon declared Emperor
1812	Disastrous campaign against Russia
1815	Napoleon finally defeated by allies conclusively at Waterloo (1815)