

The Revolution Returns

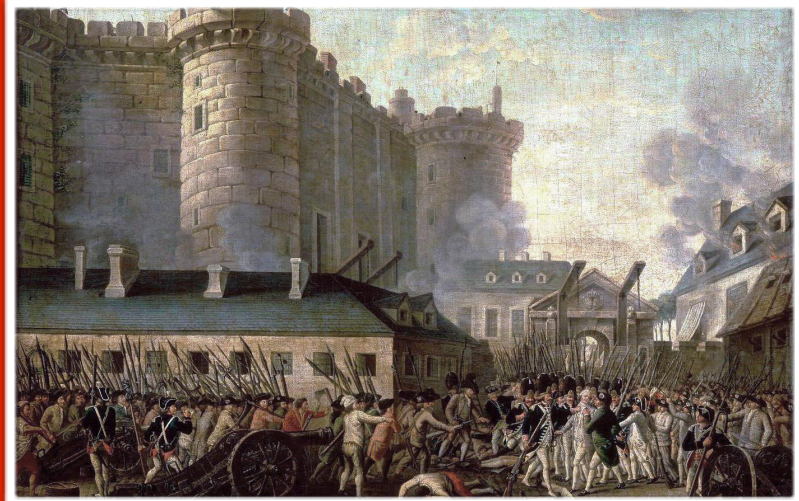
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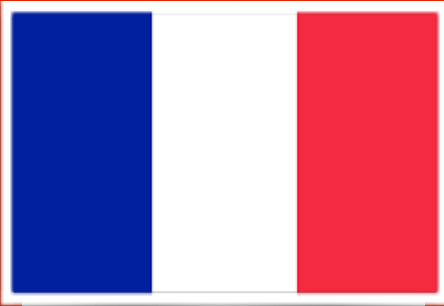
The French Revolution was a time when France was at war because the peasants wanted more power in the government.

The Guillotine

The guillotine was a contraption that was used to chop people's heads off. The victim would lie on the "bascule" of the machine. They would poke their head through the "lunette" and wait for the "montat" to end their life. The "montat" was the huge slanted blade that would do the job of severing the victim's head. Many poor people got their heads chopped off by this machine. A few were Marie Antoinette, Robespierre, King Louis XVI, and Madame Roland. A crazy fact is that after the heads were severed, they would still try and bite on to something for a few more seconds until they died.

The Reign of Terror

The Reign of Terror was between September 1793 to July 1794. This was a time when thousands of people were executed. Around 16,000 people lost their lives from the guillotine. More people died, but not all from the guillotine. During this time, two political groups were at war. They were the Girondins,



France's Flag

- After the revolution, France got a symbolizing flag.
- The flag had three colors; blue, white, and red.
- They all meant something.
- They meant:
- Freedom
- Equality
- Fraternity

who wanted the monarchy to end, and the Jacobins, who were against the Girondins. France was at a civil war.

The Outcome

After the revolution was over, France leaned towards more of a democracy. France now believed in nationalism. Nationalism is one's devotion to a country. The Monarchs were overthrown. Around 1848, after other countries saw what France did, they started revolutions of their own. In 1871, Germany and Italy became unified.

Check in next week for a post on Marie Antoinette

