The French Revolution

Eve of Revolution
- Discontent of 1st, 2nd, 3rd Estates
- Financial Crisis
- Estates General and Natl. Assembly
- The Bastille

Creating a New France
- Revolts: New Rev. groups (Ntl. Guard, Paris Commune)
- Liberty, Equality, Fraternity: End to special privilege, Dec. of Rights of Man
- Women March on Versailles: anger directed at queen, royal family moves to Tuileries

Reaction and the Directory
- Downfall of Monarchy
- Reign of Terror
- Execution of Robespierre

Revolution
- Time of Reform: Civil Const. of Clergy, Const. of 1791
- Widespread Fears: emigres and the "French Plague," Dec. of Plunitz

Radical Days
- Const. of 1795 (5-man Directory, 2-house legis.)
- Directors abuse power, few problems solved
- Directory forced out in 1799

Age of Napoleon
- 3-man Consulate, 1st Consul, Consul for Life, Emperor
- Reforms: modernized France, Civil Code, order + authority over ind. rights
- Grand Empire: conquered much of Europe

End of an Era
- Resistance in Spain, Defeat in Russia
- Napoleon abdicated, returned, lost Waterloo, final exile

War at Home and Abroad: Sans-Culottes, Jacobins, right/center/left, Legis. Assembly declares war on much of Europe