Age of Revolutions Graphic Organizer

Background:

      With the ideas of the Enlightenment came challenges to the old order. The idea of an absolute monarch was no loner appealing to the common man. The writers of the Enlightenment such as John Locke, and Jean Jacque Rousseau had called for a social contract and popular sovereignty. Others like Baron de Montesquieu had called for a separation of powers so that power could not be vested in a single institution or individual. Still others like Voltaire had called for a protection of individual rights and freedoms. These ideas would ignite a firestorm of political upheaval in the late 1700s and early 1800s across the globe.

      Although the Enlightenment occurred in mainly in the 1700s there had been early challenges to the notion of the divine right of kings. In the 1640s a dispute between the king of England and Parliament erupted into a decades long civil war. This event would set Britain on a different path than most of continental Europe. By the 1770s the political and economic climate of Europe and European colonies was at a tipping point. In response to a perceived infringement or their rights the British North American colonies revolted. This revolt would culminate in the creation of new independent state. In Europe the central event was the French Revolution. The ideas of the Enlightenment sparked a bloody insurrection that had a long-lasting impact on France and Europe as a whole. The events of the French revolution also inspired revolutions in Haiti and in South America. The events of the late 1700s and early 1800s forged the foundation of the modern world.

Directions:

 Research each of these revolutions and fill in the corresponding sections. Bullet points are in here. If multiple nations are involved in the revolution make sure you indicate this.

English Civil Wars (1642-1651):

Causes:

Key Figures:

Key Events:

Outcomes:

American Revolution (1765-1783):

Causes:

Key Figures:

Key Events:

Outcomes:

French Revolution (1789-1799):

Causes:

Key Figures:

Key Events:

Outcomes:

Haitian Revolution (1791-1804):

Causes:

Key Figures:

Key Events:

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Simon Bolivar and the South American Wars for Independence (early 1800s):

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