



Reign of Terror (10.2.4)

Background:

Over four years after the start of the French Revolution, France descended into a period commonly known as the “Reign of Terror,” when over 16,000 people were executed for allegedly opposing the Revolution. The Reign of Terror began when the Committee of Public Safety took over the National Convention, the third government that had been established since the start of the French Revolution.

Prompt:

Did the Committee of Public Safety actually protect the Revolution from its enemies?

Task:

In a well thought out essay:

- Write a claim in response to the prompt.
- Support your claim by using at least three pieces of evidence from the documents, timeline and textbook excerpt.
- Be sure to explain how the evidence you have chosen supports your claim.
- Incorporate an additional piece of evidence that argues against your claim and use your evidence to counter that opposing claim.