

Complete the following Web Quest as an individual or partnership. The Web Quest covers the rise of Napoleon to Power and the eventual fall of Napoleon. To answer the questions, go to the indicated websites.

The “Little Corsican” http://www.pbs.org/empires/napoleon/n_time/html/page_2.html# Click on set of years towards the top of the webpage (in grey). Then click on a month of the years indicated to the left side. The months with important information are highlighted in orange. If you want more information about the event, click on the event description on the right side and it will take you to event-specific pages.

1. Where and when was Napoleon born?
2. What did he do in October, 1795? And what title did he receive?
3. Under Napoleon as general, the French fought a prolonged war in 1795-6 with whom? (click on specific victories to find out who via the detailed pages)

http://www.pbs.org/empires/napoleon/n_politic/people/page_1.html

Use the arrows the bottom of the screen to navigate the page and move forward when you are ready.

4. In 1799, Napoleon established a new government in France. Napoleon is quoted as saying, “The Revolution is over, I am the Revolution”. What does this symbolize for France?
5. Read Napoleon’s quote from Wolloch (at bottom). What was so appealing about Napoleon? What did he offer?

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6. What agreement did Napoleon sign with the Pope in 1801 and what did it say? Why was this significant?
7. What was the Civil Code?
8. What did Napoleon do in 1802 to give himself more power? Did this action uphold the ideals of the French Revolution? Why or why not?
9. Napoleon stated, “I had been nourished by reflecting on liberty, but I thrust it aside when it obstructed my path.” How would Enlightenment thinkers react to this statement? Why?

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10. What happened on December 2, 1804? Considering the French Revolution and what happened to Louis XVI, why is that ironic?

11. According to Bertaud (in red), why was it important that the Pope came to Paris for the ceremony?

12. Which countries banded against Napoleon? What had Napoleon inherited when he became the emperor of France?

13. As the discontent for Napoleon's rule grew throughout his empire, what attempts were made on Napoleon?

14. What action did the Pope take against Napoleon? Why was this significant?

15. What happened to Napoleon on April 12, 1814? Where was he exiled?

16. What did Napoleon try to do a year later?

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Napoleon's Legacy

17. How did Napoleon influence France from beyond the grave?

18. What did the ideals of the French Revolution, codified in the Napoleonic Code, inspire in the mid-1800s?

19. What is considered Napoleon's greatest legacy?