1. What caused the French Revolution?
2. What groups made up the First and Second Estates?
3. Why do you think church lands and properties were exempt from taxes?
4. What are some possible reasons for the reluctance of the First and Second Estates to eliminate their tax exemptions?
5. Who were the sansculottes?
6. What spending patterns put France into deep debt by the 1780s?
7. What actions could King Louis have taken to avoid an economic crisis?
8. What happened during the first events of the Revolution?
9. Why did a mob storm the Bastille?
10. How was the 1789 meeting of the Estates General different from previous meetings?
11. Did the National Assembly created by the Third Estate have the right to make laws for all of France?
12. What did people fear after the fall of the Bastille?
13. How were rumors of massacres misleading?
14. How did the French create a new nation?
15. What was the outcome of the women’s march on Versailles?
16. Why did the National Assembly turn the clergy into public employees?
17. Why do you think that Austria and Prussia warned against harming the French monarchs?
18. What challenges were faced by the people of France in August 1792?