**Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Period\_\_\_\_\_**

**Please write or type your responses on this page, print, and bring to class.**

**Thank you!**

**\*\*Take 12 minutes for each short answer question.**

1. Historians have proposed various causes of the French Revolution, including:

* Secular political theories that originated during the Enlightenment period. These new theories provided a new concept of the role of the state and monarch.
* A more politically astute and demanding bourgeoisie.
* Economic difficulties.
* The social structure and privileges of the Ancient Regime

1. Briefly explain why ONE of the developments on the list above represents the most significant cause of the Revolution. Provide at least TWO pieces of evidence to support your explanation.
2. Briefly explain why ONE of the other developments on the list above represents a less significant turning point than the one you selected in part A.
3. Use all parts of the passage below to answer the parts of the prompt.

“Women played little role in the French Revolution

“Although women's property rights and financial independence met with many restrictions under French law and custom, most men and women agreed with Rousseau and other Enlightenment thinkers that women belonged in the private sphere of the home and therefore had no role to play in public affairs. Most of France's female population worked as peasants, shopkeepers, laundresses, and the like, yet women were defined primarily by their sex (and relationship in marriage) and not by their own occupations.

The question of women's rights thus trailed behind in the agitation for human rights in the eighteenth century. But like all the other questions of rights, it would get an enormous boost during the Revolution.”

1. Provide ONE piece of evidence that supports the contention about women during the French Revolution in the passage.
2. Provided TWO pieces of evidence that undermines the contention in the passage.
3. Outline for this prompt (present the outline in the fashion of your choice). You need a thesis and specific examples for three body paragraphs.

“The French Revolution (1787-1799) stemmed from the several economic, social, and political factors that bubbled beneath the surface culminating in more than a decade of instability for France.” Analyze the economic, social, and political factors that contributed to the outbreak of the French Revolution.