

Timeline of the French Revolution

1789

May 5 Estates General convened in Versailles
 Jun. 17 National Assembly
 Jun. 20 Tennis Court Oath
 Jul. 11 Necker dismissed
 Jul. 13 Bourgeois militias in Paris
 Jul. 14 Storming of the Bastille in Paris (official start of the French Revolution)
 Jul. 16 Necker recalled
 Jul. 20 Great Fear begins in the countryside
 Aug. 4 Abolition of feudalism
 Aug. 26 Declaration of Rights of Man and the Citizen

1791

Jun. 20-21 Flight to Varennes
 Aug. 27 Declaration of Pillnitz

1792

Apr. 20 France declares war on Austria (and provokes Prussian declaration on Jun. 13)
 Sept. 2-6 September massacres in Paris
 Sept. 20 Battle of Valmy
 Sept. 21 Convention formally abolishes monarchy
 Sept. 22 Beginning of Year I (First Republic)

1793

Jan. 21 Execution of Louis XVI (and later, Marie Antoinette on Oct. 16)
 Feb. 1 France declares war on British and Dutch (and on Spain on Mar. 7)
 Mar. 11 Counterrevolution starts in Vendée
 Apr. 6 Committee of Public Safety formed
 Jun. 1-2 Mountain purges Girondins
 Jul. 13 Marat assassinated
 Jul. 27 Maximilien Robespierre joins CPS
 Aug. 10 Festival of Unity and Indivisibility
 Sept. 5 Terror the order of the day
 Oct. 5 Adoption of Revolutionary calendar

1794

Jun. 8 Festival of the Supreme Being
 Jul. 27 9 Thermidor: fall of Robespierre

1795

Apr. 5/Jul. 22 Treaties of Basel (Prussia and Spain resp.)
 Oct. 5 Vendémiaire uprising: “whiff of grapeshot”
 Oct. 26 Directory established

1797

Oct. 17 Treaty of Campoformio

	<u>1798</u>		Nov. 21	Berlin Decree
Jul. 21	Battle of the Pyramids			<u>1807</u>
Aug. 1	Battle of the Nile		Jul. 7-9	Peace of Tilsit
Aug. 2	Battle of Aboukir (Egypt)			<u>1808</u>
	<u>1799</u>		Feb. 27	Invasion of Spain
Aug. 24	Napoleon leaves Egypt			<u>1812</u>
Nov. 9	Coup of 18 Brumaire		May 24	Invasion of Russia
	<u>1803</u>		Sep. 5	Battle of Moscow
Apr. 30	Louisiana sold to US (acquired Oct. 7, 1800)			<u>1813</u>
	<u>1804</u>		Oct. 16	Battle of Leipzig
Jan. 1	Haitian independence official			<u>1814</u>
Dec. 2	Napoleon's coronation as Emperor		May 4	Napoleon exiled to Elba
	<u>1805</u>			<u>1815</u>
Oct. 15	Battle of Ulm		Mar. 20	Beginning of Hundred Days
Oct. 21	Battle of Trafalgar		Jun. 8	Final Act of Congress of Vienna
Dec. 2	Battle of Austerlitz		Jun. 18	Battle of Waterloo
	<u>1806</u>		Sept. 26	Holy Alliance
Oct. 14	Battle of Jena			

Periodization

Date	Event	Conventional	This course
May 5, 1789	Estates General convened		Constitutional phase begins
Jul. 14, 1789	Storming of Bastille	Revolution begins	
Jun. 20, 1791	Flight to Varennes		Constitutional phase ends
Sept. 21, 1792	Convention meets	First Republic	
Jan. 21, 1793	Execution of Louis XVI		Radical phase begins
Sept. 5, 1793	Terror "order of the day"	Reign of Terror	
Jul. 27, 1794	Fall of Robespierre	Thermidor	Radical phase ends
Apr. 5, 1795	First Treaty of Basel		Nationalist phase begins
Oct. 26, 1795	Convention dissolved	Directory	
Nov. 9, 1799	Coup of 18 Brumaire	Consulate	
Jan. 1, 1804	Haitian independence		Nationalist phase ends
Dec. 2, 1804	Napoleon's coronation	Empire	
Oct. 21, 1805	Battle of Trafalgar		Imperialist period begins
Oct. 16-19, 1813	Battle of Leipzig		Imperialist period ends
Mar. 20-Jun. 18, 1815	Napoleon reenters Paris	Hundred Days	