

# FRENCH REVOLUTION

REIGN OF TERROR (PHASE III)



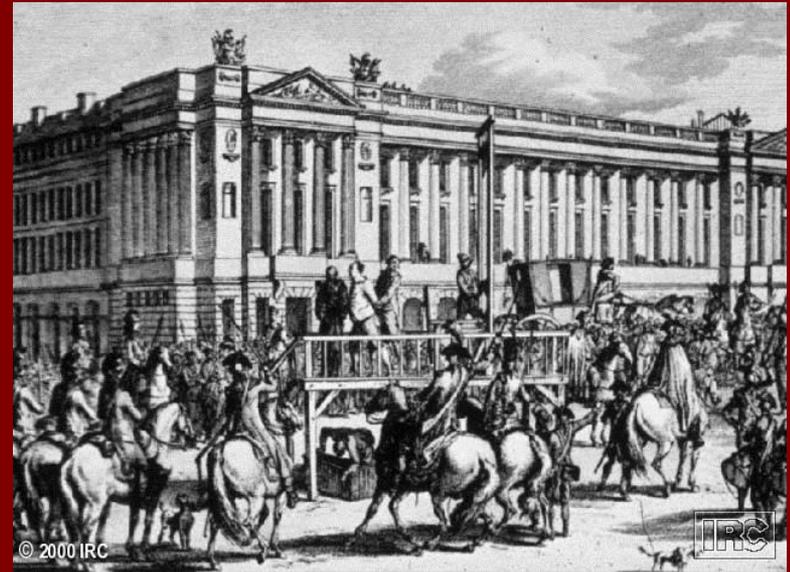
# EXECUTION OF KING LOUIS XVI

- Signed Constitution of 1791 (limited monarchy)
- Vetoed revolutionary ideas
- Radical Jacobins controlled National Convention in 1792
- King caught fleeing France & found guilty of treason
- Executed June, 1793

# The Execution of King Louis XVI



- King agrees to constitution 1791
- vetoed revolutionary decrees
- 1792 National Convention established
  - more radical (Jacobins and sans-culottes)
- France at war – Austria (Marie's bro) and Prussia
- 1792 incriminating documents found
  - King and Queen guillotined 1792, 1793



“I die innocent of all the crimes of which I have been charged”

# The Reign of Terror



- France at war
  - Committee of Public Safety -- absolute power
  - success!
- Maximilian Robespierre
  - used drastic measures to “save the revolution” from “enemies of the nation”
  - 40,000 executed in two years
- Robespierre executed in 1794



“Max”

# Point of View



In what ways does the cartoon agree with Plato's criticism of democracy and mob rule?





INTÉRIEUR D'UN COMITÉ RÉVOLUTIONNAIRE SOUS LE RÉGIME DE LA TERREUR  
Années 1793 et 1794, ou Années 2<sup>e</sup> et 3<sup>e</sup> de la République.



# Coronation of Napoleon (1799-1814)

- Napoleon chosen after 5 years of disastrous rule by a 5-member Directory
- While Napoleon brought many revolutionary reforms, he was also autocratic
- Napoleonic Code brought many reforms: no feudal privileges, advancements in education, simplified and classified laws, etc.
- Conquered an Empire encompassing most of Europe but lost to Russia & abdicated in 1814

