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You Be the Judge: How did Enlightened Ideas Inspire the French Revolution

Background:

Historically, Ideas of the Enlightenment have always been listed amongst the causes of the French Revolution. While social inequalities were the driving force of the French Revolution, the new ideas of the Enlightenment inspired it.

**Your task** is to review the beliefs of the great enlightened thinkers and: Evaluate how Enlightened Thinkers may have inspired the French Revolution. Remember members of the Bourgeoisie were very well educated.

Directions:

* You may gather information from **chapter 5 section 2** of your textbook, pages 176-179
* You may use the web to gather your information
* You should gather information on:

1. Thomas Hobbes
2. John Locke
3. Jean-Jacque Rousseau
4. Baron de Montesquieu

* Information you collect should concern how their beliefs influenced the French Revolution
* Be sure to record where the information was gathered and that it is presented in your own words
* From your notes, select two enlightened thinkers that you believe had the most impact

**Using Google docs**:

**In paragraph form, evaluate how you believe the two enlightened thinkers that you selected influenced the French revolution. Be very specific about how the ideas of a particular thinker impacted the revolution. As example Thinker X believed that the people have the right to replace a ruler who does not meet the needs of the people.**

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