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**Virtual Tour of Versailles**

With this exercise you will be asked to explore the Palace of Versailles to learn about the rule of Louis XIV, the Sun King, and others rulers that made Versailles their home. You will be asked some factual questions, as well as some where you will draw your own conclusions based on the information given. The goal is to get a sense of what royal life was like for these absolute monarchs.

**USE THIS AS A TEMPLATE: SAVE AS: “Virtual Tour of Versailles\_Last Name#\_Last Name#” & submit to TII.com**

Go to: [www.chateauversailles.fr/](http://www.chateauversailles.fr/)

Click on “English” at the very top to switch the Language, unless of course you’re more comfortable reading in French, Spanish, Chinese, or Japanese.

Click on “History” (along the top of the picture to the left…)

* Click on “Court characters”—next banner down in the white portion…
  + Scroll R/L
    - Find & click on “Louis XIV”

1. What was the Fronde & how was Louis XIV affected by The Fronde? What impact do you think this had when he took control as king?

Click on Jean-Baptiste Colbert

1. What are three things that Colbert did as Controller General of France:

Click on Maria Theresa of Austria

1. After reading the short bio information, what seems to be the purpose of the relationship between Maria Theresa and the king?

“Louis XV time” (BLACK BANNER BELOW THE PEOPLE)…and click on picture of “Louis XV”

1. What is the relationship of Louis XV to Louis XIV? How does he become king?

Click on “History” AGAIN…

Click on “A day in the life of Louis XIV”—in the picture banner to the right…

1. How many people attended the Grand Levee?
2. What did these people do?
3. It became a special privilege to assist the king in these rituals; why would this be such an “honor”?

Click on “Chocolate in Versailles”. In the SCROLL banner, use the arrows to scroll left.

1. When was chocolate introduced to Versailles? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. What drink recipe is Louis XV famous for?

* Click on “Explore the Estate” at the top of the screen.
  + Click on “Explore the Hall of Mirrors” (La Grande Galerie)
    - Bottom picture to the right

1. What important event(s) here and what was it used for during the time of Louis?

Click here: <http://www.panoramas.dk/fullscreen7/f30-versailles.html> and see an HD, Panoramic view of the Hall of Mirrors. AFTER YOU LOOK AT THIS, CLICK “BACK” AND GO TO THE ORIGINAL WEBSITE.

* Click on Explore the Estates
  + Click on Discover the Palace—placed in the banner picture to the right.
    - Scroll R/L
* Click on the “King’s interior apartments”
  + Click on the different pictures to explore the King’s interior apartments
    - Scroll down…

1. What does the clock in the clock room do?

* Click on the “Queen’s grand apartment”—back in the SCROLL banner
* Click on the different pictures to explore the Queen’s apartments

1. What happened to the furniture here during the French Revolution?

Click on the “Grand Trianon” on the left side of the page.

1. For what purpose was the Grand Trianon built? (Click on Discover the GT for pics)

Click on “Marie Antoinette’s Estate”

1. What was the purpose of the “Queen’s Hamlet?” (This will come back next month when we study the French Revolution)

Click on “The Garden” on the left side of the page, and then “Discover the Gardens”

1. List and describe 2 sections of the gardens (The Fountains, The Groves, The Grand Canal, Sculpture, etc…):

**Extension (if you wish…check out** [**www.versailles3d.com**](http://www.versailles3d.com) **& explore to your heart’s content!)**

**Summarize**

1. How does Versailles serve as an example of absolute monarchy? Write 3 complete sentences, citing at least 3 specific examples from today.