FRENCH REVOLUTION CALENDAR

It is the year 1794 in Paris, France... You are a calendar maker at Guillotine Calendars. In keeping with orders issued by Robespierre, you must convert the names of the 12 months on your calendar to the new 12 names approved by the Committee of Public Safety. In order to avoid suspicion of being an “Enemy of the Revolution”, you decide to prominently feature 12 significant events of the French Revolution (one each month) on your calendar.

Directions:

1. Read Ch. 23.1 and 23.2 in your World History textbook. As you read, place the following 12 events in the order in which they occurred:

   - Execution of Louis XVI by guillotine
   - Execution of Robespierre ends Reign of Terror
   - Jacobins take control of National Assembly
   - King Louis XVI and Queen Marie Antoinette Taken prisoner
   - Louis XIV convenes Estates General for First Time in 175 Years
   - National Assembly adopts the Declaration of the Rights of Man
   - National Assembly swears the Tennis Court Oath
   - Old Regime divided French society into 3 Estates
   - Reign of Terror Kills 40,000 people in one year
   - Robespierre Becomes leader of the Committee of Public Safety
   - Storming of the Bastille
   - Third Estate forms the National Assembly

2. Go to http://www.windhorst.org/calendar/ and read about the French Revolutionary calendar used in France from 1792-1804. Make a list of the 12 months this calendar used (e.g. “Vendemiaire”, “Brumaire”…).

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3. Using the “Calendar” feature in Publisher, select a calendar style that allows you to cut and paste images or insert clip art. Change the names of the months on the calendar to the names of the French Revolutionary calendar you wrote down from the website. For each month, cut & paste an image that shows or represents a French Revolution. For example, for the first month, replace “January” with “Vendemiaire” and cut & paste an image representing how the Old Regime divided French Society into 3 Estates.