

**AP European History**  
**Historical Mock Trials**

**The Trial of Louis XVI**



The defendant, Louis XVI, is charged with the following offences:

1. Negligence – The defendant’s inept financial management have resulted in bankruptcy for the French Government, excessive taxation, and poverty amongst the French people.
2. Tyranny – The defendant has repeatedly used his powers to suppress the representatives of the French nation and used excessive and unnecessary violence against the French people.

TEAM FOR THE PROSECUTION	TEAM FOR THE DEFENCE
Attorney: _____ Attorney: _____	Attorney: _____ Attorney: _____
<u>Witnesses</u>	<u>Witnesses</u>
Jacques Necker, _____ <i>Former Minister of Finance</i>	Edmund Burke, _____ <i>English Philosopher</i>
Emmanuel Sieyès, _____ <i>Roman Catholic Abbot</i>	Marquis de Lafayette, _____ <i>Elected Representative</i>
Maximillian Robespierre, _____ <i>Member of the Jacobin Club</i>	Louis XVI, _____ <i>King of the French</i>