

Answer 1.

The Reign of Terror happened due to the political differences among the French people. Even the tennis court oath could not unite them and intense civil war and turmoil led to political execution of the opposition in large numbers.

Answer 2.

The author suggests many ways in which the American revolution was easier than the French revolution. Firstly, American revolution was free from interference from of outside powers which ensured a swift victory. Secondly, Americans saw in themselves an American character which needed to be separated from the king. Another reason was that they put aside their differences during the revolution. Lastly, the aim of American revolution was to only change the government without changing society. In summation, American revolution was free from interference, people were politically and socially united and the aim was very clear.

Answer 3.

Of the various challenges facing the French revolutionaries, the interference and threats from the neighbors was the major factor in the inability to complete a successful revolution. From the very start of the revolution,

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the ousted king tried to flee with backing from the neighboring Austria. Later on, threats loomed from Belgium and Britain. The French revolution had the pressure of not only winning their freedom within but also protecting themselves from the strong neighbors.

Answer 4.

America, being on a different continent, was free from the interference of the Old world. Apart from their American character and political unity, the major factor which worked in benefit of the revolutionaries was their freedom from the interference of the old war. Located on the different continent, there was no threat or from external elements. The focus of American revolutionaries remained on winning the revolution without worrying about external influences.