

AP European History

As Louis XIV once famously said... *L'Etat c'est moi*

Here is your chance, what if you were an absolute monarch? What would life be like in your *Versailles*?

First: Draw Your Own *Palace of Versailles*

- It should be designed to reflect your ABSOLUTE POWER
- It does not have to be in the Baroque style of *Versailles*, it might be ultra-modern.
- Some things to consider: How many rooms? Where do you sleep? Eat? Recreate? Make decisions? Where do your *courtiers* stay? What are the grounds like?

Second: Write a one-page account that illustrates what it is like to be a member of the nobility during your reign.

- This could take the form of a journal entry, letter or excerpt from a personal memoir.
- It could describe a particular scene or event, or it could be a more general description of life under your rule.
- Things to consider:
 - What is daily life like in your palace?
 - What are your *courtiers*' duties & responsibilities?
 - How do your *courtiers* attend to you?
 - How do you exercise your absolute authority?
 - How does the **work** of ruling get done?

Drawing:	___/5
Narrative:	___/10
Total Points:	___/15