Napoleon as Emperor

1804 = Napoleon crowns HIMSELF Emperor of France

- By crowning himself he was showing that he was more powerful than the Pope

After Napoleon restored order at home in France (ESP Changes); Napoleon wanted to assert French dominance over all of Europe







Napoleon allowed all of the French Territory in the Americas go, so he could focus his attention on Europe

Conquering Europe

Third Coalition = Britain, Russia, Austria, & Sweden form an alliance to try and end Napoleon's rule of France

- Napoleon defeated the Third Coalition and the countries were forced to sign peace treaties with Napoleon





** The treaties gave Napoleon control over most of Europe ... By 1810 Napoleon created the largest European Empire since the Romans

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Brother = Louis, King of Holland

Brother = Jerome, King of Westphalia (Part of Germany)

Older Brother = Joseph, King of Spain

Sister = Elisa, Grand Duchess of Tuscany (Italy)

Sister = Caroline, married King of Naples

"Nepotism" = Napoleon made his brother Joseph the King of Spain



Importance of the Battle of Trafalgar

- French Navy vs. British Navy

Results of the Battle

1) France lost the battle: Britain's Navy was more powerful than the French Navy for the next 100 years

2) Britain became the only European power that Napoleon did not have some sort of control over = Napoleon became obsessed with trying to conquer Britain





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Napoleon's Three Mistakes

1) Napoleon's Obsession with Britain

Continental System - Plan to stop trade with Great Britain and other



Blockade - stop ships before they get to Britain, preventing them from trading their

2) The Peninsular War

- -Portugal was refusing to listen to the "continental system"
- -Napoleon wanted Spain's cooperation to force Portugal to listen to the Continental System
 - Spain refused, so Napoleon was forced to declare war on Spain
- -Spain fought a "guerilla" war.... killed 300,000 of Napoleon's men



3) Russian Campaign**

- -- Czar Alexander I wouldn't stop selling grain to Great Britain
- -Napoleon's response = send in 450,000 men to Russia
- -Alexander I retreated into the Russian interior as Napoleon marched his men deeper into Russia
- -- Scorched Earth Policy = As Alexander I retreated he had his nobles burn all of their crops and destroy their towns and cities



-Napoleon took over Moscow in September and waited until October within the destroyed city

Alexander I did not offer the Peace Treaty Napoleon was expecting; so Napoleon was forced to retreat

Napoleon's retreat occurred during the Russian winter ... 10,000 French troops survived

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Napoleon's "fall"

Napoleon is defeated by the Third Coalition (Great Britain, Russia, Prussia and Sweden)

Result = Napoleon was exiled to Elba (a tiny island off the coast of Italy)

King Louis XVIII was placed on the throne of France = weak leader







Moniteur, March 1815

The following headlines appeared in the French newspaper Moniteur in March of 1815. These banners announced Napoleon's return from Elba to Paris. What do they tell you about the return of Napoleon?

March 9 The Monster has escaped from his place of banishment.

March 10 The Corsican Orge has landed at Cape Juan

March 11 The Tiger has shown himself at Gap. The Troops are advancing on all sides to arrest his progress. He will conclude his miserable adventure by becoming a wanderer among the mountains.

March 12 The Monster has actually advanced as far as Grenoble

March 13 The Tyrant is now at Lyon. Fear and Terror seized all at his appearance.

March 18 The Usurper has ventured to approach to within 60 hours' march of the capital.

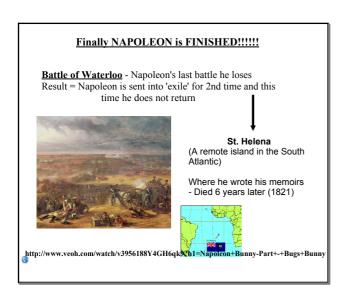
March 19 Bonaparte is advancing by forced marches, but it is impossible he can reach Paris.

March 20 Napoleon will arrive under the walls of Paris tomorrow

March 21 The Emperor Napoleon is at Fountainbleau

March 22 Yesterday evening His Majesty the Emperor made his public entry and arrived at the Tuileries. Nothing can exceed the universal joy.

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