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**Louis XIV & Peter the Great**

*Unlimited Rulers*

**Directions: Use the reading on Louis XIV to answer the following questions:**

1. Who was Louis XIV upset with? Why?

1. What did Louis do about the situation?

1. Did Louis have the right and authority to do this? Why or why not?

1. Was this fair? Why or why not?

**Directions: Use the reading on Peter the Great to answer the following questions:**

1. From the evidence in the story was Peter the great a good or bad ruler? Which of his actions do you agree with and which do you disagree with? (Give reasons for your decisions)

1. How do you think someone like Peter the Great could stay in power if he was unpopular?

1. Do you think Peter’s “Beard Law” is fair, unfair or neither? Give reasons for your answer.

1. Was the way Peter enforced the law fair or unfair? Give reasons for your answer

**Directions: After completing the questions on the front, answer the following in complete sentences. Use examples and evidence from the readings.**

What was similar about Louis XIV and Peter the Great? (2-3 sentences)

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Which of these rulers would you prefer to rule over you? Why? (Pick one… don’t say “neither” and be sure to give reasons for your answer and examples from the text.) (3-4 sentences)

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What should the people of France and Russia do to get and keep a limited government? *Remember: Peter killed his own son and exiled his wife for opposing him. Think carefully. Use logic and reason in your answer…not just violence.* (2-3 sentences)

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