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Maximilien Robespierre: The Enigmatic Figure of the Reign of Terror

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Discuss the main objectives of the Committee of Public Safety during the Reign of Terror. How did Maximilien Robespierre contribute to its actions and policies?
2. Analyze the role of the Cult of the Supreme Being in Robespierre's vision for the new republic. How did this attempt to establish a civic religion reflect his revolutionary ideals?
3. Describe the circumstances and events that led to the downfall and execution of Maximilien Robespierre. What impact did his removal have on the course of the French Revolution?
4. Explore the controversy surrounding Maximilien Robespierre's legacy. In your view, was he primarily a champion of revolutionary ideals or a ruthless dictator during the Reign of Terror? Provide reasons for your perspective.

