

Absolutism

Central Historical Question:

Who should historians treat better, an Absolute ruler who believes without them, men would live “in a state of War,” or one who believes they are doing “God’s work”?

Notes:

Document #1 The Mandate of Heaven, Chinese book *Shu Jing* 6th Cent. BCE

<p>1. Who wrote this document?</p> <p>2. Why did they write it?</p> <p>3. How is it related to the CHQ?</p>	<p>4. Who should history treat better? “State of War” vs “God’s Work” ←-----→</p> <p>5. Why?</p>
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Document #2 James I of England Two Speeches 1610

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Document #3 Thomas Hobbes Leviathan 1651

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Document #4 Jean Domat On Social Order and Absolute Monarchy 1687

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Final Notes

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Thesis:

Supporting evidence

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