Investigation: Bastille Day

Go to www.euroclub-schools.org. Enter the French Zone. Click on Bastille Day.

By reading the information on the web page, can you find the answers to the following questions?

1. On which date is Bastille Day celebrated? Write the date in both English and French.

2. What kind of building was Bastille Saint-Antoine?

3. Write ‘the storming of the Bastille’ in French.

4. What is ‘Bastille Day’ known as in French?

5. The storming of the Bastille was the beginning of which historic event in France?

6. Who were the king and queen of France in 1789?

7. What was the name given to anyone who supported the royal family around the year 1789?

8. Where did the royal family live?

9. What is the motto of France?

10. Which building was constructed to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of Bastille Day?

11. Which French symbol represents ‘freedom’?

12. Which monument now stands in the place where the Bastille used to stand?

13. What used to take place in the area of Paris called la Place de la Concorde?

14. Why did the storming of the Bastille take place?

15. Did anything change as a result of the storming of the Bastille?