Socials 9 Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Napoleon and The French Revolution

“Viva La Vida” Coldplay

I used to rule the world

Seas would rise when I gave the word

Now in the morning I sleep alone

Some people think that this song is about The French Revolution and Napoleon. Keeping that in mind, read through the lyrics and:

1. Circle 2 things that show it is about the French Revolution. Explain why you circled them.

Explanation for first line:

Explanation for second line:

2. Make at least 2 predictions about Napoleon. Underline lines from the song that support your prediction

Predictions:

1.

2.

3. Now, watch the music video and record images that support both the conclusion that the video is about the French Revolution and Napoleon.

French Revolution

Napoleon

Sweep the streets I used to own

I used to roll the dice

Feel the fear in my enemies’ eyes

Listen as the crowd would sing

"Now the old king is dead! Long live the King!"

One minute I held the key

Next the walls were closed on me

And I discovered that my castles stand

Upon pillars of salt and pillars of sand

I hear Jerusalem bells are ringing

Roman Catholic choirs are singing

Be my mirror my sword and shield

My missionaries in a foreign field

For some reason I can not explain

Once you know there was never, never an honest word

That was when I ruled the world

It was the wicked and wild wind

Blew down the doors to let me in

Shattered windows and the sound of drums

People could not believe what I'd become

Revolutionaries wait

For my head on a silver plate

Just a puppet on a lonely string

Oh who would ever want to be King?

I hear Jerusalem bells are ringing

Roman Catholic choirs are singing

Be my mirror my sword and shield

My missionaries in a foreign field

For some reason I can not explain

I know Saint Peter won't call my name

Never an honest word

And that was when I ruled the world



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Never an honest word

But that was when I ruled the world.