Enlightenment Vocabulary
Social Contract

An agreement between the people and their government.
Leviathan

Book written by Thomas Hobbes.
Enlightened Despot

a form of government in the 18th century in which absolute monarchs pursued legal, social, and educational reforms inspired by the Enlightenment.
Toleration

- the practice of tolerating something, in particular differences of opinion or behavior
Sovereignty

- A supreme power or authority.
Natural Laws

- a body of unchanging moral principles regarded as a basis for all human conduct.
Laissez Faire

- a policy or attitude of letting things take their own course, without interfering.
Baroque

a style of European architecture, music, and art of the 17th and 18th centuries that followed mannerism and is characterized by ornate detail.