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The Revolution of Fashion: Guided Reading Questions

As you read the information in the exhibit and watch the videos, answer the following questions. Make sure to use information found in the exhibit for your answers

History of Homespun 1760's-1770's:

1. According to the video "18th Century Homespun Fashions", why were some homespun goods "rustic" or "rougher" at times?
2. Describe how homespun dresses looked like based on the video "18th Century Homespun Fashions"
3. Why were taxes levied on the colonies by the British?
4. What material was preferred for homespun clothing?

1780's US History and Silk Trade:

5. Was the US able to easily trade with the British and British territories? Explain
6. How did colonists order clothing from England?
7. How did colonists order clothing from France?
8. What two ideas about fashion did French immigrants bring to the US?
9. Which of the ideas from question 8 were "republican"?

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10. What idea did Revolutionary France challenge?

11. The coat that the man in the video "Getting Dressed in the 18th Century-Men" used displays republican ideas of equality or the flashy style of the French? (Hint: Read the paragraph that describes the blue and the gold coat)

1790s History:

12. Describe two things you learned about Chemise dresses in the video "Getting Dressed in the 18th Century-Chemise Gowns"

13. How were children's clothing viewed differently during the end of the 1700s?