

How did John Locke's Ideas Influence the  
American and French Revolutions?

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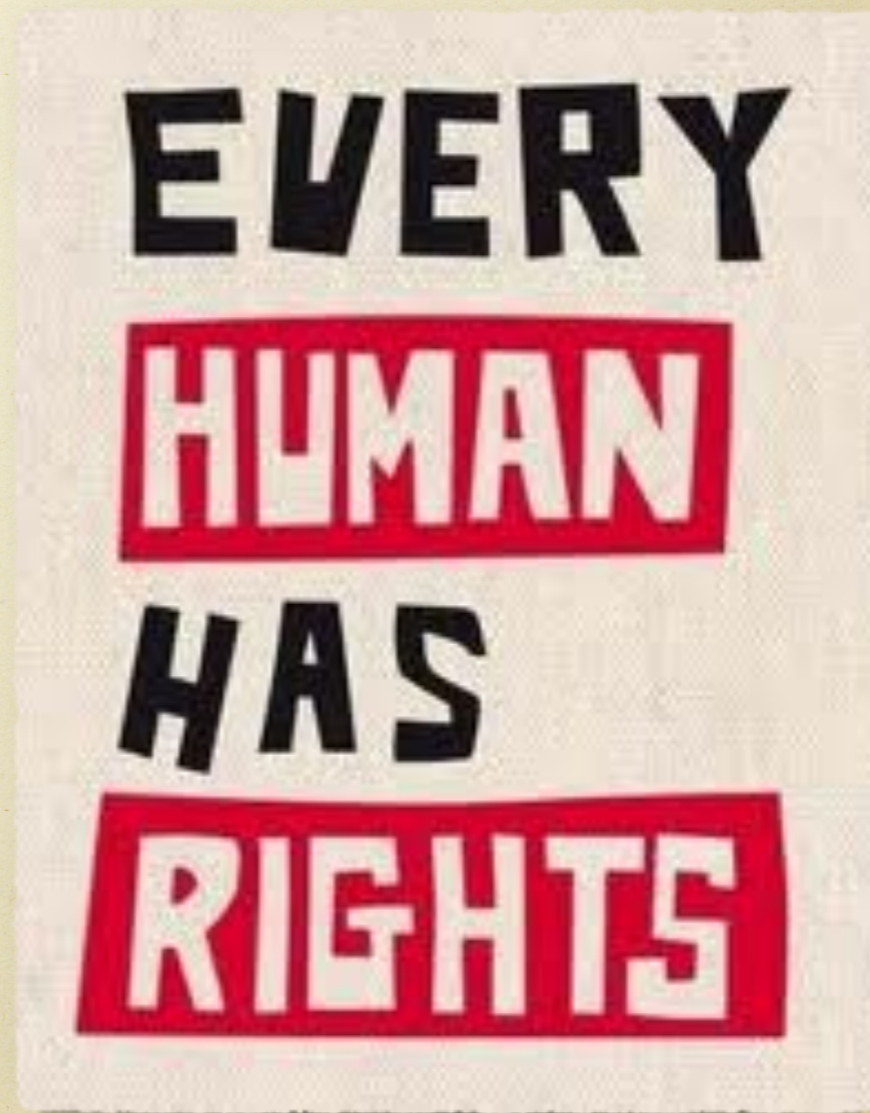


# Locke's Ideas of Natural Laws

Locke supported the idea that people are reasonable beings.

He believed in self-government, where people can be in charge of themselves.

His ideas revolved around the concept that the government should protect the natural rights of freedom. If they fail to do this, people should have the right to overthrow the government.





# Influence on French Revolution

Locke's views on government inspired philosophers in France to fight for natural rights.

His ideas on government sparked the rebellions of the people against their government in France, starting the French revolution.





# Influence on American Revolution

Locke's ideas influenced the colonists to believe that they should get their human rights from Britain.

They didn't believe that it was their responsibility to pay taxes. They fight for Independence so that they have their own rights and can manage themselves with democracy.

