

World History and Geography 2020-21

Unit 1

Age of Revolution

1750-1850



Module 1: Absolutism, Divine Right of Kings, and the English Civil War

Day 4

The Magna Carta and the English Bill
of Rights

Charles I of England

Background

- Magna Carta
 - Written by nobles who wanted personal freedom
 - More of a peace treaty
- English Bill of Rights
 - Written mainly in response to James II's religious intolerance.

Magna Carta

- Written in 1215
- Nobles rebelling against monarchy
- Trial by jury, no taxes without consent, effective legal system, and property rights
- Began to limit king's power.
- Did not provide rights for all people.

