**CHY4U Unit 3 - The French Revolution – Background and Causes**

Abbe Sieyes: *What is the Third Estate?*PSD – page 8 of handouts.

\*\*\* Please **annotate** this PSD according to how each estate (1st, 2nd, 3rd) would react to Sieyes’ speech. Go to the Day 1 PPT on the blog if you don’t know what estates are.

*Here are some questions that will help you work through the Sieyes PSD: If you understand this document, you are familiar with the causes of the revolution*.

1. Using information from the PPT, what is the proof that the third estate had been nothing in the **political** order “up to the present”?
2. Who was the privileged order?
3. What did Sieyes mean by “shackled”?
4. Given that the third estate constituted the vast majority of the population, do you agree with Sieyes’ assessment that it was *everything*?
5. What concerns would nobles have had upon reading this document?