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## Memory, Myth, and Modern Meaning Answer Key

1. **Because the actual event had little military value, but it symbolized the people rising against royal oppression.**
2. **It was widely referenced in revolutionary media and became a symbol of empowerment and resistance, creating a shared national narrative.**
3. **It means that the holiday not only brings people together but also showcases government-led displays of patriotism and national strength.**
4. **Some see it as ignoring the revolution's violence and failures; others view it as a powerful reminder of the people's potential to create change.**
5. **By showing how the Bastille's fall is used in speeches and art, the passage illustrates how complex events are often simplified into emotionally powerful stories.**
6. **It can stand for different ideas-such as rebellion, hope, or national pride—depending on the perspective of the person or group using it.**
7. *(Accept reasonable, thoughtful responses.)*  
**Example: Yes, because acknowledging both the successes and flaws of history helps us learn and grow as a society.**