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**Early life**

Tone was born in Dublin in _________ to a Protestant family. He was a student at Trinity College, Dublin and later became a _________ . He eloped and married a woman called ________________, ________________.

**Rights for Catholics and the United Irishmen**

In September 1791, Tone wrote a _____________ called *An Argument on behalf of the Catholics of Ireland*. He attacked the government and said that ________________ should be allowed to sit in parliament. In October 1791, Tone travelled to Belfast for the foundation of the _____________ _____________. The members pledged that they would look for equality between Catholics, Protestants and ________________.

In 1793, the British got rid of the ____________ __________, but Catholics were still not allowed to sit in parliament. Wolfe Tone was very annoyed with this and he now wanted total separation between Ireland and England. The United Irishmen became a secret society and Tone had to escape to ____________.

**Tone in France and Bantry Bay**

Wolfe Tone went to France in 1796 to try to persuade the government to send a French invasion to Ireland. The French agreed to send an army of 15,000 men under ____________ __________. They arrived at ____________ __________ on 21 December 1796. However, bad weather prevented the fleet from landing and they had to sail back to France.

**1798 Rebellion**

Another French force of 1,000 men arrived in Ireland in August 1798 at ____________, ____________.
They were eventually defeated by the British under [Blanks] at Ballinamuck, Co. Longford. Meanwhile, Wolfe Tone arrived with a group of 3,000 troops at [Blanks], Co. Donegal. Before they could land the British force the French ships to flee and Wolfe Tone was arrested.

**Death of Wolfe Tone**

Tone was brought to Dublin in chains. He was charged with [Blanks] and sentenced to death. The night before he was due to be executed he cut his own throat in his cell and he died a week later.

2. **Challenge exercise! This document is studied by students at university, so well done if you can make any sense of it.**

This is an extract from the speech given by Wolfe Tone at his court martial (trial) for treason. Try answering the questions below.

**Speech of Theobald Wolfe Tone to his court-martial**

10 November 1798

Mr. President and gentlemen of the court-martial, I do not mean that you should waste your time in proving, according to law, that I have borne arms against the king's government in Ireland; I admit the fact. From my tenderest youth I have considered the union of Ireland with Great-Britain as the scourge of the Irish nation. And that the people of this country can have neither happiness nor freedom whilst that connection endures. Every day's experience, and every fact that arose, convinced me of this truth; and I resolved, if I could, to separate the two countries. But as I knew Ireland could not of herself, throw off the yoke, I sought for help wherever I could find it.

(a) In the first sentence, what does crime does Wolfe Tone admit he has committed?

(b) In the second sentence, what things does Wolfe Tone believe the Irish people cannot have if the country remains united with Britain?

(c) In the final sentence, what does Wolfe Tone mean when he says 'Ireland could not of herself, throw off the yoke'?
3. Homework

Write an account of the life of Theobald Wolfe Tone.

- Make sure you give information about all of the areas of his life e.g. Early life, United Irishmen, French help, 1798 rebellion, death. Use headings if you wish.
- Use the information in exercise 1 on this sheet or the article below to help you with your answer.
- Your essay must be 1.5 to 2 copy book pages long.