**Teacher Notes on Locke and Hobbes**

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| **Hobbes** | **Locke** |
| * *Leviathan* * People should be strictly controlled to ensure orderly society * Absolute monarchy * Against idea of revolutions; people should not be allowed to overthrow government * More pessimistic view of nature * This was a result of Louis XIV’s rule * Collectivism (the government thinks for you) | * *Two Treatises of Government* * Natural rights = rights that belonged to all humans from birth * Purpose of government: to protect people’s natural rights * Government should be limited; accepted by all people; not an absolute monarchy * Government has responsibility to people; people can overthrow government if it doesn’t protect people’s natural rights * More optimistic view of nature * Separation of Church and State * Individualism (everyone thinks for himself) |