Prologue, Section 4
HISTORYMAKERS

John Locke

Possible responses:

1. Even though an individual gives rights to the community, the individual retains the right to limit the power of that community—or even to dissolve it if its actions are contrary to the trust placed in it.

2. Supporters may have felt that the people would not be fit to govern themselves; only the monarch had that ability, as well as that right.

3. Locke says people are capable of governing themselves. He suggests they know what is right and what is best for all. He also suggests that it is the spirit of the people, rather than the government itself, that truly governs.