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Notes: Chapter 11 - Renaissance and Reformation

Introduction

 In this chapter, you will learn about important changes that I 	ed to the end of and
the dawn of the modern age. The	were major developments
that helped to shape the world we know today.	
Important Ideas	
A	
each contributed to the end of medieval Europe.	
B. The Renaissance occurred in Italy in the	The Renaissance
marked a "rebirth" of European culture.	
C had a spir	it of inquiry. They looked to the classical civilizations
of Greece and Rome for inspiration.	
and literature and architecture borrowed from classical styles. The Re	enaissance included writers like Petrarch, artists like
Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo, and scientists like	
D. Johann Gutenberg's invention of movable type made it easier to r	eproduce,
leading to the spread of new ideas.	
E. The Great Schism, widespread corruption in the Church, and	
weakened the power and authority of the Catholic Church.	
F. Martin Luther launched the	when he posted 95 Theses
criticizing the Church's	
authority of the Pope. The Reformation forever shattered the unity of	f the Catholic Church.
G. Protestants believed in salvation by faith alone and encouraged la	y people to read the Bible to interpret it for
themselves. John Calvin argued in favor of	that God decided who would
go to Heaven after death.	
H. The Reformation led to more than a century of armed conflict bet	ween
J. The Renaissance and strength	ened the authority and power of secular rulers.
The Waning of the Middle Ages	
• Starting in the 12 th century, life in Europe began to change.	The brought new goods from
the East to Europe, stimulating a rebirth of trade. They also	
contributing to its later collapse.	
 New trade led to the growth of towns, the development of a 	, and the greater use
of money. Instead of performing services for their feudal lord	
instead. Other events that contributed to the end of the med	

The Great Famine (1313-1322)

•	Unusually heavy rains led to flooding. Eventually, crops spoiled and livestock drown in waterlogged fields. The result was the Great Famine. Farm animals needed for work were
	and seed grain was eaten. This shortage of grain increased grain prices by more than six times. Millions of
	people Many question the Church why this catastrophe was happening
The B	Black Death (1347-1351)
•	The Black Death () occurred only 25 years after the Great Famine. Rats with
	fleas carrying the disease entered Europe from Asia on trading ships. Between 1347 and 1351, 25 million people
	about People were buried in
	mass graves without receiving any blessing from the Church. Some blamed Jewish people for poisoning the wells; others claimed the plague was God's punishment for sinful living. The Black Death created a in Europe. Large numbers of peasants escaped from serfdom
	when landowners and towns, needing laborers, offered them freedom in exchange for work.
The F	lundred Years' War (1337-1453)
•	The Hundred Years' War between broke out when the French king died
	without an heir, and the
	This long period of warfare slowly strengthened royal power in both countries. Instead of relying on a feudal
	army based on the service of his nobles, each king developed a standing army of
	New weapons emerged, such as the Later gunpowder and cannons
	were introduced from China became less important in battle. Both England and
	France also developed greater national feeling, and loyalty to their kings.
•	, a young French maiden, rallied French troops around the heir to the
	throne. She turned the tide when she successfully drove the English out of the city of Orleans and crowned the
	new French king at Rheims Cathedral. Later, Joan was
	at the stake by the English as a witch. But within 20 years after her death, the war was over.
The G	Great Schism (1378-1417)
	The Pope often clashed with Kings sough
	the right to appoint bishops, who controlled vast areas of land; they also wanted to try priests in royal courts,
	and to The Pope resisted these demands.
•	In 1305, a Frenchman was elected Pope
	where it fell under the French King's influence. In 1378, an Italian was elected Pope, who decided to move the
	Papacy back to Rome. French cardinals claimed the election was unlawful and elected a French Pope to keep th
	Papacy in Avignon. This schism (split) greatly A Church
	Council made matters worse by electing a third Pope in 1409. Finally, a new Church Council deposed all three
	Popes, and elected a single Pope in 1417, but the Church's prestige was greatly weakened.

The Renaissance

•	A new interest in learning about the classical civilizations of
	developed in the This led to a period of
	great intellectual and artistic creativity, known as the Renaissance, meaning ""
	The Renaissance is often considered as one of the great turning points in the history of Western civilization.
•	The Renaissance began in Italy in part because of its strategic location on the
	As trade between Asia and Europe increased, the cities of Italy emerged as centers of banking, commerce, and handicrafts. Genoa, Pisa, and Venice became important centers of Mediterranean trade. As home to the Popes, Rome collected revenues from throughout Europe. The city-states of Milan, Florence, and Siena grew wealthy from Italian city-states also flourished
	because no single ruler, as in France, had united the peninsula and crushed their independence.
•	During the Renaissance, wealthy acted as patrons supporting
	artists, writers and scholars. Secularism increased as people began to show greater interest in this world than in
	the life hereafter. People used observation and experience to explain the world, rather than simply relying on traditional
•	In Italy, scholars were still surrounded by the remains of ancient civilizations. They were impressed by the achievements of Like the ancient Greeks,
	Renaissance thinkers believed in the power of human reason to explain the world. They looked on man as the
	focus of all things. Humanists placed great emphasis on the dignity, worth, and uniqueness of each person.
The Im	pact of the Renaissance
•	Renaissance artists, architects, scholars, and created a legacy of
	achievement that still influences us today.
The Ar	tistic Impact: Painting and Sculpture
•	Before the Renaissance, art in Italy was greatly influenced by Byzantine styles
	were highly decorative, often with, but appeared flat and unlife-
	like. Figures often floated in space without shadows. The size of a figure was based on its importance, not where
	it was placed in the picture.
•	In the 1300s, the painter had already astonished Italians by painting in an entirely new style, using scenes with figures in lifelike space. Giotto's figures stood firmly on the ground,
	became smaller as they receded in space, were given depth by, and
•	showed emotions and gestures. During the Renaissance, each generation of Italian artists made improvements to make their paintings more realistic. Their challenge was to show
	Masaccio (1401-1428) and other artists developed the rules of perspective, using guidelines to calculate how
	things recede in the distance until they reached a vanishing point. These artists also introduced
	and other realistic effects.
•	Italian painting reached its peak during the "" with the paintings of
	Leonardo Da Vinci (1452-1519)
	was a sculptor and inventor as well as the painter of such works as the
	Da Vinci discovered how to use shadowing and blurred lines, especially on the eyes and mouth, to make his
	subjects appear incredibly lifelike. Leonardo also had one of the best scientific minds of his time. To understand

	, he dissected human corpses. His notebooks include designs
	for a parachute and machine gun.
•	Michelangelo (1475-1564) was a Florentine artist. His major sculptures, such as David, Moses, and the Pieta,
	were startlingly realistic, just like the paintings of the time. Each sculpture was carved from a
	His giant fresco painting of Bible scenes on the ceiling of the
	Sistine Chapel in Rome is considered one of the greatest works of art of all time. A is
	a painting made on fresh plaster. Michelangelo's sculptures and paintings equally glorified the human form.
The A	rtistic Impact: Architecture
•	Renaissance architects studied the ruins of buildings from to develop a new
	Renaissance style. They abandoned the pointed arches and ornamentation of the Middle Ages. They used of ancient architecture for a simpler
	classical style. In early Renaissance Florence, citizens built a large cathedral but did not know how to complete
	its giant roof. They held a competition among architects.
•	Filippo Brunelleschi, who had studied, was chosen as the winner.
	He developed a dome that created an immense interior space. At the time, the cathedral in Florence was the
	largest church in the world. These accomplishments in art demonstrated the Renaissance fascination with this
	world rather than the next, as well as the technical achievements possible from the application of reason.
•	Renaissance humanists studied classical
	The Italian scholar Petrarch, the "," collected and studied ancient
	texts. New methods of criticizing texts led some, like Erasmus, to question the Church. Other Renaissance
	authors wrote on secular (non-religious) subjects.
•	Renaissance writers described the, celebrated the pleasures of the
	senses and instructed nobles in how to behave at a prince's court. Many writers, like Boccaccio, wrote in the
	vernacular (local) language instead of Latin. As the Renaissance spread, writers such as Rabelais in France,
	, and Cervantes in Spain completed works
	in their own native languages.
The Po	olitical Impact
•	Niccolo Machiavelli was a courtier and politician in Florence, the most
	His book,, was a guidebook in how to secure and maintain political power.
	Machiavelli argued that the most successful rulers were not those who acted according to laws or conscience,
	but those who were willing to do whatever was necessary to hold power: "the end justifies the means."
•	The wealth of the Italian city-states, the weakening of the Church, and the reasoning of writers like Machiavelli
	contributed to the Renaissance concept of "" Rulers justified taking
	whatever measures they needed to strengthen their state in order to survive. They collected taxes and raised
	armies, often by They also exchanged ambassadors
	creating modern diplomacy. Rulers in larger states like France soon copied these practices

The Economic Impact

•	 Renaissance ideas and products quickly spread all over Europe. People strove to in 	mprove their
	, while the wealthy accumulat	ed more luxury goods. This
	encouraged an, a greater variety of	products (especially clothes,
	foods, wine and furnishings), and the	·
The In	The Intellectual Impact: Science and Technology	
•	• The Renaissance spirit of inquiry also led to important discoveries in science. The was the center of the universe(1473	_
	careful measurements that led him to conclude that the	
	His work was banned by the Church, since it opposed Church doctrine.	
•	• (1564-1642) was a famous Italian scient	tist. His studies of motion laid
	the foundation for Galileo's observati	
	telescopes strengthened his belief in	
	against Galileo by the Catholic Church. He was told he could no longer publicly sta	
	around the sun. In 1632, he was ordered to appear before the Inquisition in Rome	
	and was confined to his home.	,
Guten	Gutenberg's Revolution In Printing	
•	For thousands of years, Europeans had copied all of their scrolls and	·
	Most of these works were found in monasteries and Church libraries	
	was invented in and introduced to	in the 1300s. The
	printer cut out every word on the face of a wooden block, leaving the letters raise	
	paper was laid on it and pressed down. With block printing, the printer could mak blocks took a long time to cut, and each block could print only one page.	te copies of a book, but the
•	developed a printing press with mo	vable type in Germany around
	1450. Gutenberg created individual letters of metal, which were held together in	a frame. The type for each
	page could then be broken down and reused. It was much easier to reset type that	n to carve an entirely new
	wooden block. The invention of movable type, along with the use of a	
	allowed the mass production of printed books for the first time. This encouraged	the spread of new ideas. More
	people also began to learn to read.	
The Pi	The Protestant Reformation	
•	 The spirit of inquiry of the Renaissance, as well as knowledge of the widespread _ 	
	led to new challenges to the Many	
	power and wealth rather than because of faith. They sometimes held more churc	h positions than they could
	properly fulfill, or had secret spouses or children. The exp	
	spiritual influence, as the Pope and members of the Church hierarchy acted more	
	spiritual leaders. People like Erasmus in Holland and Sir Thomas Moore in England	•
	Catholic Church, but Church leaders were slow to respond.	_

Luther and His Ideas

•	In the early sixteenth century, the			
	Heaven. This practice brought in a			
	sale of indulgences to construct S	-	·	•
	Augustinian monk. In 1517, Luthe			
	church door in Germany. His thes			(statements) on a
•	Luther believed that neither pries			
	Like St. Augustine, he valued faith			
	saved and			•
	the Bible for himself or herself to		vea that each marviadar mast	read and anderstand
•	Because of his writings, the		- exnelling	him from the Church
	In defiance, he publicly burned th			
	Holy Roman Emperor) and repres			
	When Luther refused to recant at			
•	Luther was able to obtain protect			
	their feelings of German patriotis	•	•	• •
	condemnation by establishing the			•
	special priests: each person could			
	The reformers became known as Protestants. Many German princes adopted Protestantism. They also used this as an opportunity to seize When German peasants rebelled			
	in 1524-1525, Luther sided with the			
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Later	Reformers			
•		h	elped Luther and his follower	rs spread their ideas
	throughout Europe. Other reform	ers followed Luther's lead		_ (1509-1564) started
	a new Protestant Church in Genev	va. Calvin reasoned that sinc	e God was all-knowing, it was	predestined (already
	decided by God) who would be sa	ved and who would be dami	ned. While faith was the key t	o salvation, it was
	God who gave faith to some and o	denied it to others. Only the	"Elect" would be saved. Calvi	nists encouraged
		·	They saw worldly success as	a sign of God's favor.
	EFFEC	CTS OF THE REFORMATION		
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		me the head of the Church	101110/110/10/04	
		ngland in 1534.		

The Catholic Counter Reformation

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sale of indulgences. The Church also banned Protestant books and established the Inquisition, a court who	
purpose was to punish heretics – those who denied Church teachings.	
THE CATHOLIC COUNTER-REFORMATION	
The Council of Trent (1545– 1563) was held to redefine Catholic beliefs and to stop the spread of Protestantism. The Council ended the sale of indulgences. The Inquisition was used by Church officials to end heresy by force. Trials were held to examine, often by torture, those who denied or opposed Church teachings. The Jesuits, begun by Ignatius Loyola in 1534, were dedicated to defending and spreading the Catholic faith.	
The Political Impact of the Reformation	
Under the leadership of the Pope and with the support of the	
Catholics checked the further spread of and even won some areas ba	, ck to
Catholicism. In general, France, Italy, Spain and Southern Germany remained	
Northern Germany, Holland, and Scandinavia became	
At first, England remained Catholic. However, when the	
demand for a divorce from his Spanish wife, Henry broke with the Catholic Church and turned to Protestant	ism.
Henry closed English monasteries, seized all Church lands, and declared himself the head of the	
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beauty of God's creation. The weakening of Papal authority may also have stimulated economic growth in

art about secular subjects, Reformation artists could ____

by portraying the natural

Northern Europe, where the Church no longer collected taxes.

in widespread destruction, but also stimulated economies by creating a need for new goods.

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