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World History

STUDY GUIDE: Middle Ages, Renaissance, Reformation, and Exploration

**MIDDLE AGES**

* Why did the Roman Empire fall?
* How did the fall of the Roman Empire effect society?
* What was the government during the Middle Ages?
* What is the structure of feudalism? (Who owns the land, who runs it, who defends it, who works it)?
* What are serfs?
* What is the economy of the Middle Ages?
* What are the features of a Manor?
* What were the Crusades?
* Who fought in the Crusades and why? Who won and what effects did the Crusades have on society?
* Describe the differences between society during Feudalism and after feudalism ended
* What was the Magna Carta? Why was it created?
* How did the Magna Carta help influence the U.S. Constitution?
* What was the Bubonic Plague? What parts of the world did it affect? What economic and political effects did it have on society?
* Who fought in the Hundred Years War? Why did they fight? What was an important innovation during the war? What important figure helped French to victory?
* What was the impact of the Hundred Years War?

**RENAISSANCE**

* What was the Renaissance?
* Where did the Renaissance begin?
* What is Humanism? What does it focus on?
* What two civilizations was the Renaissance culture influenced by?
* What is a Renaissance man?
* What are differences between Medieval Art and Renaissance Art?
* What new artist techniques were used in Renaissance art?
* Who were major artists during the Renaissance? What were examples of their best works?

**REFORMATION**

* What church did the Reformation attempt to change? Why did the movement want to change the Church?
* What social, political, and economic reasons influenced the Reformation movement?
* Who was Martin Luther? What was his 95 Theses about? What reforms did he want to be made to the Church?
* What are the three branches of Protestantism? Who founded each branch and how did they differ in their beliefs?

***TERMS***

**Feudalism**

**Manor System**

**Kings**

**Nobles**

**Knights**

**Serfs**

**Crusades**

**Christians and Muslims**

**Magna Carta**

**Bubonic Plague**

**Hundred Years War**

**France and England**

**Renaissance Man**

**Renaissance Woman**

**Joan of Arc**

**Longbow**

**Renaissance**

**Northern Italy**

**Mona Lisa**

**Last Supper**

**Michelangelo**

**Donatello**

**Raphael**

**Leonardo da Vinci**

**Humanism**

**Greece and Rome**

**Realism**

**Secularism**

**Reformation  
Catholic Church**

**Martin Luther**

**95 Theses**

**Lutheranism**

**Calvinism**

**Anglicanism**

**John Calvin**

**Church of England**