

Personalities in Civilization's Rebirth



The Renaissance
A Socials 8 Resource-based Assignment
Bayside Middle School

1. Choose a person from the list. No two people in the class can choose the same person.
2. Research the following:
 - a) personality traits--the type of person they were
 - b) early life, including where/when they were born and lived
 - c) education, training, any obstacles that stood in their way
 - d) how/where they died
 - e) achievements/legacy
 - f) include examples of their work, give some detail about one specific piece of art or writing they did
 - g) how their life influenced/contributed to the European Renaissance

If you can find a book on your person, that is the best source of information. If not, then try these sites: bio.com or spartacus-educational.com

3. Put the information in the first person and talk about the life of the Renaissance person using "I". Use proper spelling, punctuation, and grammar, even if you are doing point form. Try to minimize your use of names (many are hard to pronounce) and dates.
4. Support your information with examples of **pictures** or **music** (including short Youtube clips) to show their accomplishments.
5. Share your project on Power Point or Prezi. Write ALL your information on the slides so that the audience is able to read along while you present. If you use cue cards, they should have all the same info as your slides. You should have 7-10 slides and 7-10 pictures. Make sure of the spelling and grammar.
6. Practise saying your presentation out loud to others so that you will have a smoother delivery in front of the class.
7. This is an in-school assignment so there should be no need to work on it at home if you use your given time effectively.

Discovery & Piracy

1. Amerigo Vespucci
2. Francisco Pizarro
3. Christopher Columbus
4. John Cabot
5. Sir Francis Drake
6. Ferdinand Magellan
7. James Cook
8. Marco Polo
9. Prince Henry the Navigator
10. Samuel de Champlain
11. Sir Walter Raleigh
12. Vasco da Gama
13. Hernando Cortes
14. Blackbeard (Edward Teach)
15. Henry Hudson
16. William Kidd
17. William Shakespeare
18. John Donne
19. Miguel de Cervantes

20. William Tyndale

Music, Art, Architecture

21. Johann Sebastian Bach
22. Raphael
23. Ludwig van Beethoven
24. Harmensz van Rijn Rembrandt
25. Pieter Bruegel
26. Albrecht Durer
27. Michelangelo Buonarroti
28. Christopher Wren
29. Peter Paul Rubens
30. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
31. Leonardo da Vinci
32. El Greco (Domenikos Theotokopoulos)
33. Titian (Tiziana Vecellio)
34. George Frederic Handel
35. Filippo Brunelleschi
36. Sandro Botticelli
37. Nostradamus
38. Niccolo Machiavelli

39. Desiderius Erasmus
40. King Henry VIII of England
41. John Calvin
42. Elizabeth I
43. Joan of Arc
44. Lorenzo de Medici
45. Queen Isabella of Spain
46. Pope Leo X
47. Suleyman I
48. Mary, Queen of Scots
49. Queen Mary I (Bloody Mary)
50. Philip II of Spain
51. Johann Gutenberg
52. Anton van Leeuwenhoek
53. Nicolaus Copernicus
54. Galileo Galilei
55. Sir Isaac Newton
56. William Harvey
57. Johannes Kepler
58. Tycho Brahe

Science and Invention

51. Johann Gutenberg
52. Anton van Leeuwenhoek
53. Nicolaus Copernicus
54. Galileo Galilei
55. Sir Isaac Newton
56. William Harvey
57. Johannes Kepler
58. Tycho Brahe

Literature

17. William Shakespeare
18. John Donne
19. Miguel de Cervantes

Philosophy/Religion/Politics

37. Nostradamus
38. Niccolo Machiavelli