

The Renaissance  
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1. What are the dates of the period called “The Renaissance”?
2. What does it mean to be a “Renaissance person”?
3. Where did the Renaissance first begin?
4. To what did humanists look for insight into life’s questions?
5. According to the humanists, what was the aim of life?
6. Who was the inventor of printing with movable type?
7. What was the first book he printed?
8. Who is possibly the best known of all Renaissance humanists?
9. What famous book was written by Sir Thomas More in 1516?
10. What is the meaning of the title in #9?
11. What feature was common to all Reformers?
12. On what did Martin Luther’s Christianity base itself?
13. What are some characteristics of the church that the humanists ridiculed?
14. What was the cause of the great conflict between King Henry VIII and Pope Clement VII?
15. On what grounds did Henry VIII seek to annul his marriage to Catherine of Aragon?
16. When the pope refused to grant the annulment, what did Henry do?
17. What famous man remained loyal to the pope?
18. What was Henry’s response to his loyalty?

19. What groups sought to reform the Protestant church believing it to be merely a copy of the Catholic Church?
20. How many wives did Henry VIII have?
21. What important accomplishment of Henry VIII's strengthened England's power and influence?
22. Identify Henry VIII's three children and write a description of each:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ -
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ -
23. Describe the fashion of the Renaissance.
24. After the execution of Mary Stuart, what did King Philip do?
25. What was the result?
26. What influence did Queen Elizabeth have on the literary world?
27. How did Elizabeth's successor, James I, contrast with her?
28. Who ruled England for the last eleven years of the Renaissance?
29. Who was the last great writer of the English Renaissance?
30. What was the general attitude toward Jews in Renaissance England? What Shakespearean character reflects this attitude?