



1. What does the word “humanism” mean?
2. Why was the Medici family significant?

Objective & Standard

- **I can explain and analyze the concept of humanism and its impact on the Renaissance.**

SPI 7.46 Describe how humanism led to a revival of classical learning and fostered a new interest in the arts including a balance between intellect and religious faith.

Recap the Renaissance

- The love of art and education was a key feature of this time we call the Renaissance.
- What does the Renaissance mean?
- How was the Renaissance different from the Middle Ages?

The Renaissance

- New ways of thinking emerged during the Renaissance. At the same time, the period brought a renewed emphasis on the past.
- These trends inspired Italian writers and artist to produce many brilliant works.

Humanism

- During the Middle Ages, most thinkers in Europe had devoted themselves to religious study.
- By the 1300s, scholars had begun to broaden their interests.
- They studied poetry, history, and art, and Greek and Latin languages. These subjects are known as **humanities** because it was the study of human activities rather than the physical world or the nature of God.

Humanism

- The study of humanities led to a movement called humanism.
- Humanism is a way of thinking and learning that stresses the importance of human abilities and actions.
- The interest in humanities was linked to rediscovery of ancient writings and the history of past peoples.
- How can learning about history change the way we look at the world?

Humanism

- In the 1300s Turks conquered much of the Byzantine empire. Scholars seeking to escape the Turks fled to Italy.
- Many of the works they brought to Italy were ancient classical writings.
- Classical scholars began to rediscover the glories of the Greece and Rome.they longed for a renewal of classical culture

Humanism

- Renaissance artist and architects were also drawn to the past. Classical statues and ruins of ancient buildings still stood in Italy. They inspired painters and sculptors.
- The rise of Humanism during the Renaissance can be seen in paintings of the Renaissance.
- Let's look at evidence in the paintings of the Renaissance...

Renaissance Art Work



The Kress
Monogrammist
1550



The
Bean Eater
1582

Analyze & Think

Read pages 562-563 about Italian Writers, Italian Art and Artists, & Two Masters.

- Copy this chart in your comp books.
- As you read you will complete the chart.
- In the chart you will gather information about each topic.

Italian Writers	Italian Arts and Artists	Two Masters

ASSESSMENT

Explaining & Analyzing Humanism

Write a paragraph explaining how you think humanistic ways of thinking affected the progression of the Renaissance?

