

WORLD 4-1

RENAISSANCE: THE REBIRTH OF EUROPE

NOTE: Unless you have earned the MAGIC QUILL power-up, these notes must be COPIED ON YOUR OWN PAPER.

Questions/Interactions	Notes
	<p>The Silk Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• When the Mongols took over China they reopened the Silk Road.• As a result, ideas from China spread to Europe.• Europeans felt inferior <p>The Death</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Black Plague left Europeans with a feeling of depression.• The failure of the Crusades added to it.• Constantinople, the main Christian city fell in 1453.• It was a wake-up call. <p>The Rebirth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The people wanted to return Europe to its former glory.• They began to read classic Greek and Roman books.• These books led to humanism (studying Greco-Roman subjects that would improve the quality of life on Earth) <p>City-States of Italy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Italy's location on the sea brought many travelers, traders, and ideas.• Italy was split into city-states.• They competed for power in war and ideas. <p>The Printing Press</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Invented around 1450 by Gutenberg• Spread reading to the masses since books became much cheaper.• The church lost its control of knowledge. (why?) <p>Societal Changes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• People challenged the Church's role in society.• People began to move up (or down) in society based on personal abilities.• Education was emphasized. <p>Renaissance Triangle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• During this time art, science, and religion greatly influenced each other.• Sometimes they worked for each other, and (as you'll see next unit) sometimes against each other.