

The Renaissance, also known as a “rebirth” of the Classical Age, begins when the end of the Middle Ages around 1300 A.D. and ends with the beginning of the Scientific Revolution around 1600 A.D..

This packet will help you research **The Renaissance**. Complete the following steps by choosing the assignments needed to help you meet the target.

1. The Renaissance: **A Snapshot**

- Overview: The Renaissance (Teacher Assigned)

2. The Renaissance: **Characteristics**

What is The Renaissance? Answer this by completing 2 of 3 steps:

- 2-Part Video: “**All About The Renaissance**” (option a)
- Read the following 3 short articles: “**Renaissance: Introduction to the Renaissance**”, “**Renaissance Italy: Where It All Started**”, “**Renaissance: The Spread of Ideas**” (option b)
- “What is the Renaissance?” Teacher Assigned

3. Renaissance Literature: “**Dante’s The Divine Comedy: The Inferno**”

Written by Dante Alighieri, The Divine Comedy describes Dante’s travels through Hell, Purgatory, and Heaven. In **The Inferno**, Dante travels through the 9 circles of Hell, guided by the great Roman poet, Virgil, whose writings inspired Dante.

How does The Inferno reflect characteristics of The Renaissance?
Answer this by completing the following 3 steps:

- Read “**Renaissance Writing: Dante & Plutarch**” (capable/guided reader)
- Read “**The Inferno (The Divine Comedy)**” (Teacher Assigned)
- “The Inferno: Collection of Evidence” (Teacher Assigned)