# Warmup

■ What is her name?

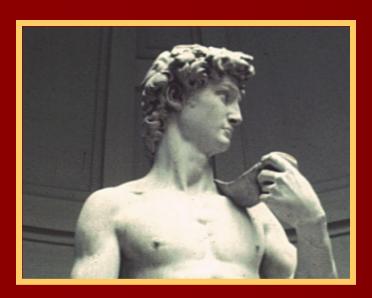
- Mona Lisa
  - Painted by Leonardo da Vinci in 1503



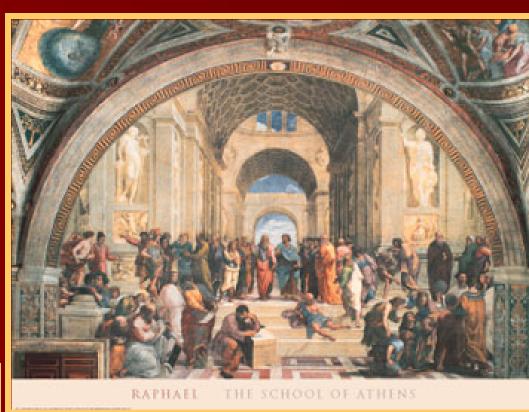
## Agenda

- Renaissance PowerPoint with notes
- Mirror Writing activity
- Test December 13<sup>th</sup>

# Italy: "Birthplace of the Renaissance"







# Setting the Stage

- During the Middle Ages,Europeans suffered from:
  - Wars
  - Plagues
- The Catholic Church's teachings began to be questioned
  - "If we go to church and donate a lot of our money to it, why are we being punished by God?"
- Feudalism began to be questioned
- Some educated people began to reject <u>religious</u>
   <u>values</u> and replaced it with classical learning



#### First Renaissance

- <u>1300s − 1600 AD</u>
- Renaissance = rebirth
  - Rebirth of art and learning
  - High regard for individual achievement
  - Began in Northern Italy
    - France and England were locked in the Hundred Years
       War



# Italy

- Urban Centers
  - Overseas trade helped by the Crusades led to growth of large city-states in Italy.
  - Wealthy Merchant class
    - Merchants were the most powerful class due to their wealth (based on merit)
- Italian <u>City-States</u>
  - Ran own governments
  - Collected taxes
  - Had own armies



## The Medici Family

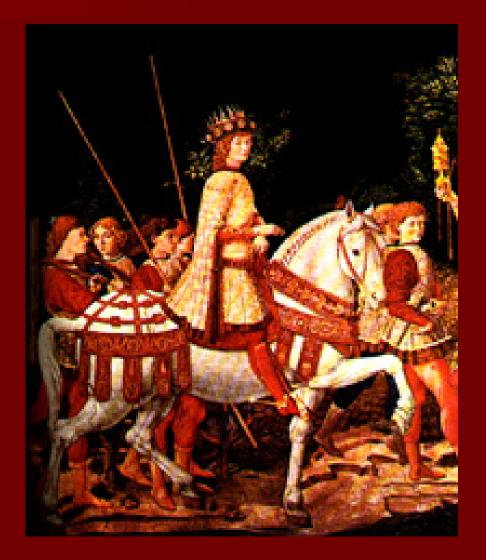
- Florence was ruled by one powerful family = the Medici family
- Their support of the arts led Florence to become known as "the cradle of the Renaissance"
  - Cosimo de Medici
    - Dictator
  - Arranged marriages to strengthen family & business ties
  - Lorenzo the Magnificent
    - Dictator
    - Supported the arts





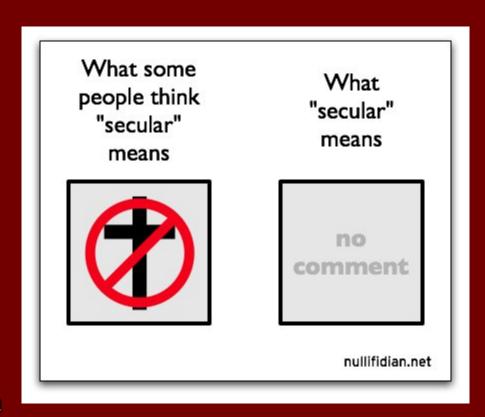
## Italy's Advantages

- Medici Family are famous for
  - ■Being <u>rulers</u>
  - ■Wealthy <u>patrons</u> of the arts
  - Nepotism = preferential treatment of relatives



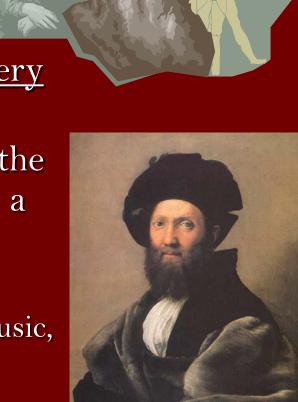
## Classical and Worldly Values

- Society became more secular and less religious
- Secular = to be more worldly and concerned with the here and now
  - Not as concerned with the afterlife



## Classical and Worldly Values

- The "Renaissance Man"
  - An idea that some people are artistic geniuses
  - Individuals would strive to master every area of study
  - According to Baldassare Castiglione, the ideal Renaissance Man was "skilled in a variety of areas"
    - A polymath
    - Art, science, math, politics, logic, war, music, philosophy



## Classical and Worldly Values

- The "Renaissance Woman"
  - Women became more educated
  - Women were expected to marry whom their parents choose
    - Not for love, but <u>to strengthen</u> <u>business or family ties</u>
    - Isabella d'Este = speak Greek and Latin, play the lute, sing, dance, debate, patroness of the arts, ruler of Mantua, set fashion and artistic standards



Isabella d'Este of Mantua = The "First Lady of the Renaissance"

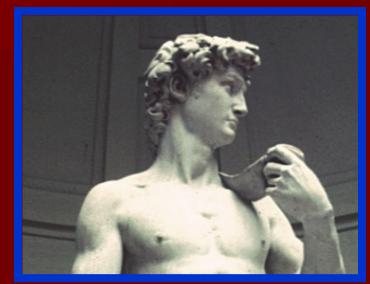
#### Renaissance Revolutionizes Art

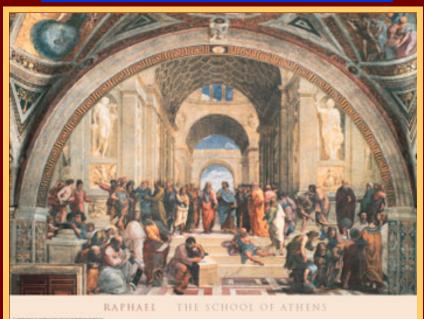
- Artists changed artistic styles
  - Paintings & sculpturesbecame more realistic
  - Glorified human body
  - Volume of portraits of famous or wealthy citizens grew
  - Relied on patronage or private commissions to earn a living



#### Renaissance Art

- New Techniques
  - Natural postures and expressions to show personality
    - The Statue of David by Michelangelo
  - Perspective which shows three dimensions
    - <u>"School of Athens"</u> by Raphael





#### Renaissance Revolutionizes Art

- Leonardo Da Vinci = best of example of a Renaissance Man
  - Painter
  - Sculptor
  - <u>Inventor</u>
  - Scientist
- Student of anatomy, science, and art



### Leonardo Da Vinci's Works

- The Last Supper"
  - Mural in a convent in Milan

- "The Mona Lisa"
- Painting in The Louvre
   Museum in France







## Michelangelo

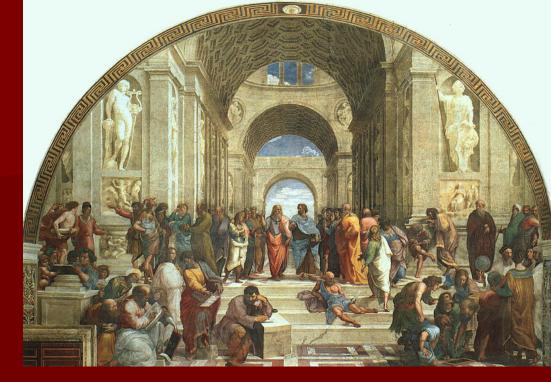
- Michelangelo was one of the greatest artists of the Renaissance
- Most well known for his portrayal of the human body
  - Sistine Chapel
  - The Statue of David
  - "Pieta"







# Art

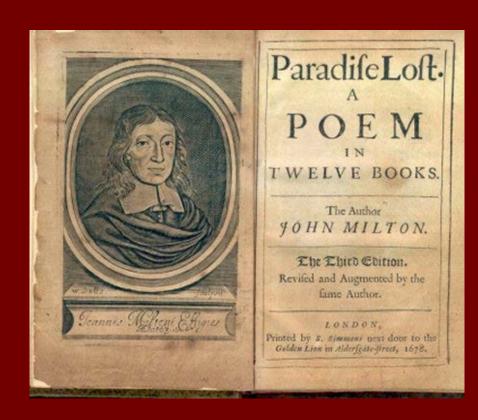


- Raphael advanced <u>realism</u>
  - Most famous work:
    - "School of Athens" inside the Vatican offices
  - Died at the age of 37



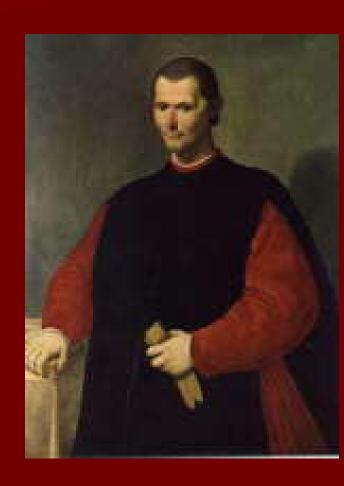
#### Literature

- Renaissance Writers
  - Vernacular = local language
  - Wrote with selfexpression or to portray the individuality of their subject matter
  - Most people couldn't read, but those who could read could finally read in their own language instead of in Latin or Greek



#### Literature

- Machiavelli = the father of modern political thought
  - Wrote "II Prince"
    - Outlines how a ruler can gain power, keep it, and control enemies
    - Thought rulers should be shrewd & deceitful
    - Most important concept =
       "The end justifies the means"



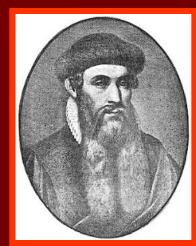
## Printing Spreads Renaissance Ideas

- Block printed items reached Europe from China
- Johann Gutenberg
  - Invented a faster printing press around 1440
  - By 1500, more than 20 million volumes had been printed throughout Europe



## Printing Press

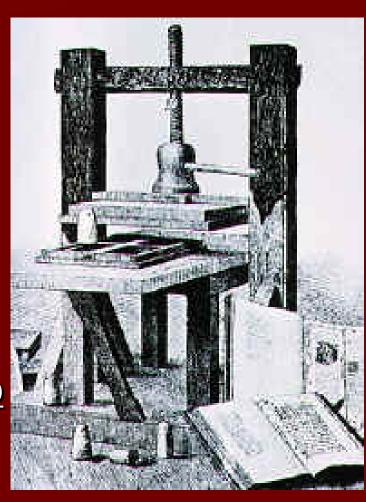
- First printed work =The Bible
- Only 46 copies remain of Gutenberg Bibles
- Harry Ransom Center– UT





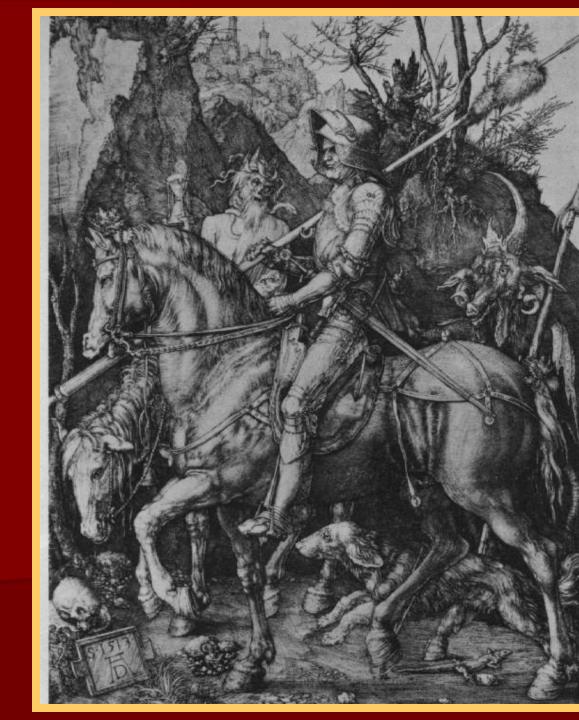
# Printing Spreads Learning

- Enabled mass production of printed word
- New ideas were easily spread
- Vernacular became more common
  - People could not afford "Classical" education
  - Questioning the Bible grew
- Development of printing led to increased literacy (the ability to read)



Chapter 17
Section 2:

The Northern Renaissance



# Setting the Stage

- Classical ideas impressed academics and students who visited Italy
- Merchants spread ideas from Italy to other European urban centers
- By the 1400's, the Renaissance had spread to Northern Europe
  - England
  - France
  - Germany

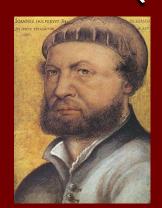
#### North vs. South

- Italy governed by city-states, but Northern Europe dominated by monarchs
- Renaissance ideas spread
  - Italy
    - Artistic ideas centered on religious glorification
  - Northern Europe
    - Artistic ideas inspired humanist thinking which would lead to social reform



#### Hans Holbein

Hans Holbein =
 One of the
 greatest portrait
 artists of the
 1500s (German)



Hans Holbein



Sir Thomas More





King Henry VIII

## Pieter Bruehgel

- Pieter Bruehgel (Flemish)
  - Paintings were
    - Realistic
    - Detailed
    - About the common people
  - Used rich
     colors, vivid
     details of
     everyday life



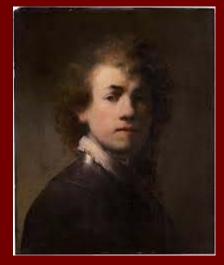
#### Rembrandt

- Rembrandt
  - Was greatest of the Northern artists
  - Known for his <u>use</u>of light and shadow
  - His work signified the end of the Renaissance and the beginnings of the <u>Baroque era</u>









# Northern Writers Try to Reform Society

- Northern writers adopted the use of <u>humanism</u> in their writings
  - Humanism = a revival of the study of classical ways of thinking (ancient Greece and Rome)
  - Use their knowledge of the past to change their current era
  - <u>Petrarch</u> = the father of humanism
- Many writers gave their writings a more religious slant
  - known as Christian Humanists



### **Christian Humanists**

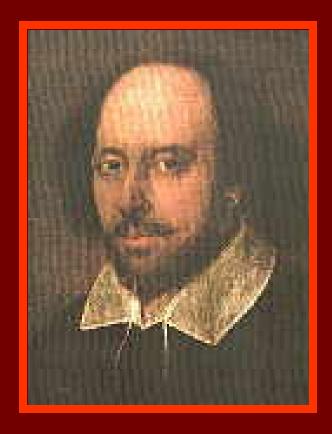
- Sir Thomas More
  - Writer who wrote about the flaws of society
  - Most famous work
    - Utopia Greek term meaning "No Place"
    - In English came to mean "Ideal Place"



# William Shakespeare

- English writer, poet and playwright
- Greatest plays:
  - Romeo and Juliet
  - Julius Caesar
  - King Lear
  - Macbeth
  - Hamlet
  - Midsummer Night'sDream





# The Elizabethan Age

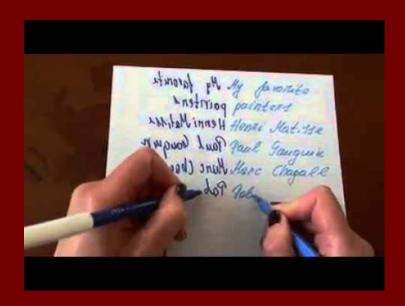
- Renaissance of England
- Named after the youngest daughter of Henry VIII
- Queen Elizabeth I
  - Good Queen Bess
  - Patroness of the arts in England

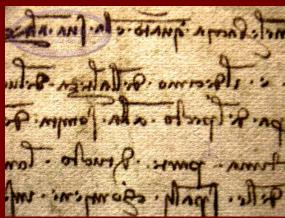




## Activity!

- Fact = Leonardo da Vinci could write backwards (mirror writing)
- You are going to learn how to practice mirror writing!





# Activity!

- Watch Miss Caspers for two different demonstrations
- When you have had enough practice on your scratch paper, write 4-5 full sentences about your day today
- Trade with your tables
- Decipher each others' messages using the mirrors