**Unit 1: The Italian Renaissance-Notes**

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| **Background**  **Rise of Italian City States**  **Politics in the Italian City States**  **Major City States**  **Decline of the Italian City States**  **Humanism**  **Italian Humanist**  **Political Humanist: Niccolò Machiavelli**  **Humanist on Individual Behavior:**  **Baldassare Castiglione**  **Printing Press** | 1. **What is the Renaissance considered to be?** 2. **How long did the Renaissance last?** 3. **Where did the Renaissance begin? End?** 4. **How long did it last in Northern Europe?** 5. **When did it occur in England?** 6. **What did Jacob Burckhardt Claim in the 19th century?** 7. **Why were the upper classes able to participate in the Renaissance?** 8. **Why did the Renaissance have little impact on the peasantry?** 9. **What three Italian cities states developed extensive international trade?** 10. **What two types of governments developed in the city states?** 11. **What was the Commenda?** 12. **Why did Italy not unify politically? This led to an early what?** 13. **What does balance of power mean?** 14. **What lead to the downfall of the city states?**   **Republic of Florence:**   1. **What family dominated Florence? How did they make their living?** 2. **Who was Cosimo de Medici?** 3. **Who was Lorenzo the Magnificent?**   **Duchy of Milan:**   1. **What family ruled Milan after 1450?** 2. **What two city states was Milan a sworn enemy of? Why?** 3. **What was the Peace of Lodi in 1454? What did it create?**   **The Papal States (Rome):**   1. **What area of Italy did the popes control?**   **Venetian Republic (Venice):**   1. **How did Venice project its power?**   **Naples and Kingdom of the Two Sicilies:**   1. **What are of Italy did they control?** 2. **Was the only city state to have what form of government?** 3. **Was eventually controlled by what two foreign powers?** 4. **What foreign power invaded Italy in 1494?** 5. **What did Florence’s attempt at appeasement lead to?** 6. **Why did Spain get involved?** 7. **What city states formed an alliance with Spain?** 8. **What marked the end of the Renaissance in Italy in 1527?** 9. **List the key Characteristics of Humanism**   **Petrarch:**   1. **He is considered to be the first what?** 2. **How did he describe the Middle Ages?** 3. **Who was he influenced by?** 4. **What language did he write in?**   **Leonardo Buni:**   1. **He was the first to use what term?** 2. **What type of humanist was he?** 3. **What did he write?** 4. **What was The Prince?** 5. **How did he describe a ruler?** 6. **What characteristics did he say a ruler should have?** 7. **What was his famous work called?** 8. **What did he say made a true gentleman?** 9. **What was the ideal “Renaissance Man” according to Castiglione?** 10. **Who developed the printing press?** 11. **What was moveable type?** 12. **What was the first massed produced book using the printing press?** 13. **What ides did the printing press help spread?** |