

Guided Reading Activity

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Crusades and Culture in the Middle Ages

Lesson 1 *Medieval Christianity*

Review Questions

Directions: Read the lesson and complete the outline below. Refer to your textbook to fill in the blanks.

I. The Papal Monarchy

- A. Medieval popes controlled the _____ in Italy, and bishops were often _____ to nobles.
- B. The _____ Controversy, which was initiated by a decree from Pope Gregory VII in 1075, ended in an 1122 compromise called the _____.
- C. In the 1200s, Pope _____ used tools such as the _____ to bring the Church to the height of its political power.

II. New Religious Orders

- A. In the late 1000s and early 1100s, a wave of _____ enthusiasm led to a rise in monasteries and monastic _____.
- B. The _____ order of monks was one of the first to take their religion to people outside the monastery.
- C. The abess _____ was an important contributor to a type of music known as _____ chant.
- D. _____ monks preached simplicity, took vows of poverty, and aided the poor, while _____ also lived in poverty and battled _____.
- E. The Church's _____ sometimes used _____ to extract confessions of heresy and used executions to punish it.

III. Religion in the High Middle Ages

- A. In the Middle Ages, the Church played a large role in everyday life; the _____ guided people from birth to death, and included baptism, the Eucharist, and marriage.
- B. Medieval Christians dedicated churches to _____ and venerated _____, objects connected with saints.
- C. Christians also made _____ to shrines, the greatest of which, they believed, was the Holy City of _____.

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D. In Europe, pilgrims often traveled to Rome or Santiago de Compostela, which housed the _____ of several of the _____.

Summary and Reflection

Directions: Summarize the main ideas of this lesson by answering the question below.

In what ways was the medieval Church involved in political as well as spiritual struggles?
