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Multiple Choice

Please circle the letter that best completes the statement. Each response is worth three points.

- Machiavelli argued that a ruler should be kind in these circumstances.**
 - All of the time because Machiavelli was a devout Christian.
 - When dealing with women and children because a ruler must be strong but fair.
 - In difficult times because people will be more productive when they are secure.
 - When dealing with great poets, artists, and writers. Machiavelli believed they were very sensitive and needed the encouragement of the ruler.
 - Only when it suited his purposes because it is better to be feared than loved.
- What was the primary reason Europeans ventured into the sea in the second half of the fifteenth century?**
 - They wanted to travel to Africa to capture slaves.
 - They wanted to prove the earth was round.
 - They hoped to find the land Lief Ericsson called Vinland.
 - They hoped to set up trading links with spice-producing lands in Asia.
 - None of the statements above are true.
- Who was the first person to theorize that the earth was round?**
 - Aristotle
 - Henry the Navigator
 - Bartholomeu Dias
 - Christopher Columbus
 - Ferdinand Magellan
- Which statement about Magellan is *true*?**
 - Magellan was born in Spain.
 - The king of Portugal agreed to finance Magellan's expedition around the world.
 - Magellan explored Asia as a young man.
 - Magellan sailed completely around the world.
- Magellan believed the earth was round, but he did not consider the immensity of this ocean. His error added six months and 12,600 miles to his journey.**
 - the Atlantic Ocean
 - the Pacific Ocean
 - the Indian Ocean
 - the Arctic Ocean
- When did Magellan prove to himself that he had sailed around the world?**
 - He noticed familiar plants and birds.
 - He met sailors who reached the Philippines by sailing east.
 - He discovered that his servant understood the local language.
 - All of the above are true.
 - None of the above are true. Magellan died before he realized he had circumnavigated the globe.
- Which statement about Magellan's death is false?**
 - Magellan was killed in the Philippines.
 - Magellan agreed to assist a local warrior who wanted to defeat a rival in battle.
 - Magellan's men all agreed to join him in battle because they could not return home unless they won.
 - Magellan died after he was hit with a poison arrow.

Match the Renaissance Artists and Writers

Please select the correct responses from the list below. Each response is worth three points

Pieter Bruegel | Michelangelo Buonarroti | Donatello | Giotto | Leonardo da Vinci | Niccolo Machiavelli | William Shakespeare

- _____ This Florentine artist lived more than a century before the Renaissance, but he painted in a style that would later be identified with the period. The *Madonna in Glory* is one of his most famous paintings.
- _____ A scientist and inventor as well as an artist, this "Renaissance Man" painted the *Mona Lisa* as well as *The Last Supper*.
- _____ This Renaissance Man was a painter, sculptor, and an architect. His works include the dome of St. Peter's Church in Rome, and ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.
- _____ This Dutch painter showed people as they really were. His work includes *The Peasant Wedding*.
- _____ This Englishman was best-known writer of the Renaissance. His plays mixed humor with drama, and showed the strengths and weaknesses of people.
- _____ This writer argued in *The Prince* that Italy could not be united unless its leader was ruthless.

True or False

Please circle TRUE or FALSE for each statement. Each response is worth three points.

- TRUE FALSE Leonardo da Vinci was born in Florence.
- TRUE FALSE The ideas of the Renaissance began in northern Italy and spread throughout Western Europe.
- TRUE FALSE The Renaissance artists use of perspective gave their paintings the illusion of depth.
- TRUE FALSE Magellan died at sea, but most of his sailors managed to complete the journey.

Match the Explorers

Please select the correct responses from the list below. Each response is worth three points

John Cabot | Christopher Columbus | Vasco da Gama | Bartholomeu Dias | Henry the Navigator | Ferdinand Magellan

18. _____ This Portuguese sailor reached the southern tip of Africa in 1486, but he turned back because his crew was unwilling to travel any further
19. _____ He sailed completely around Africa from Portugal to India in 1497-98.
20. _____ This Portuguese monarch set up a school for sailors and encouraged the exploration of the African coast.
21. _____ He made four voyages to the West Indies, but died believing he had reached Asia.
22. _____ He was the captain of the first expedition to sail completely around the world.

Extended Response

You may write in cursive or manuscript but your work must be very neat. Twelve-point answer will be scored as follows: two points for including a topic sentence, four points for each valid supporting statement, and two points for including a valid conclusion.

23. Explain why spices were an essential part of everyday life for Europeans.

24. Describe how the Portuguese found a water route to Asia.

Extended Response: Synthesis

You may write in cursive or manuscript, but your work must be very neat. Each question is worth five points and requires you to think for yourself. Two points are awarded for a serious effort.

25. Do you agree with Machiavelli that it is more important that a ruler be feared than loved? Explain your answer.

26. Who made the greatest discovery, Christopher Columbus or Ferdinand Magellan? In order to earn full credit, you will have to examine the accomplishments of both sailors.
