


The Renaissance
was a ...
R.E.B.I.R.T.H.

R. Rebirth of Greek & Roman classic culture
 Q: What are the classics?
Classics = ideas of ancient Greece & Rome




Greek Architecture Roman Sculpture

E. Established in Italian city-states
 City-states were wealthy from trade
 Q: What led to the growth of trade in Europe?



B. Birth of the “modern” world c. 1350-1600

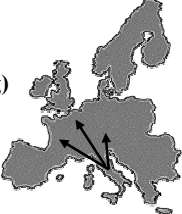
- less superstition
- education, literature encouraged
- sports, art, music important
- study of history & science

I. Italian artists:
 Michelangelo & Da Vinci






Leonardo da Vinci Michelangelo


R. Renaissance spreads from Italy to N’ern Europe
 -helped by printing press (Gutenberg)
 Q: Why would the printing press help ideas spread?



T. Theater: Shakespeare
 ♦ wrote plays & sonnets

H. Humanism – Erasmus
 ♦ is most famous



-want people to be the best they can be
 Q: What kind of things might a humanist be in favor of?

Reflection:
 Does life seem better now that the Renaissance has begun? If so, how? If not, why not?