Grade 5

Unit 3: The Reformation: When Books Changed the World



Unit-level Essential Question

What major discoveries during the Reformation changed the way people viewed their world?

Lessons 1–5

Guiding Question: How did the power held by the Church influence the Reformation?

Writing Prompt: How did people who attended the Church in the Middle Ages experience unequal treatment? Use evidence from the text to support your ideas.

Lessons 6-10

Guiding Question: How did important figures during the Reformation challenge the Church's long-standing beliefs?

Writing Prompt: Why would the Church be angry with the new ideas that Copernicus and Galileo promoted?

Unit 3 Culminating Activity

Choose one key figure from the Reformation who challenged the ideas of the Church, and give a presentation describing that figure's point of view and how it differed from the ideas of the Church. What impact did the figure's ideas have during this time?