DENOmination- an organized branch or type of Christianity

Renaissance- a rebirth of learning and art after the middle ages

Reformation- the beginning of a new type of Christianity

Secular- being more interested in the real world occurrences than church.

Vernacular- a common spoken language.

Protestantism- a new type of Christianity that broke dominance of Catholicism in Europe.

Indulgence- a payment to the cathloc church that reduced punishment for sins

City-states- a large area of land with a city center controlled by elected city leaders.