**(EQ)** *To what extent was the Renaissance a break with its medieval past?*

*Thesis*

*CHANGE OVER TIME- Essay*

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| Social- Ideas of knowledge  | **Political- Power**  | Economic-Growth of National Economies  |
| Change over Time Old- * Religion dominates Medieval thought.
* **Scholasticism:** Thomas Aquinas – reconciles Christianity with Aristotelian science.

New * **Humanism –** Emphasis on secular concerns due to rediscovery and study of ancient Greco-Roman culture.
* **Example from literature-** Petrarch & Virtù – Renaissance Man should be well-rounded (Castiglione)
* Secularism
* Erasmus, *In Praise of Folly*
* Thomas More, *Utopia*
* civic humanism
 | Change over Time Old-Church tends toward supremacy over the state.* Innocent III (1198-1216) attempted to unify Christendom under his power.
* Renaissance Popes
	+ Julius II- War Pope

**Conciliar Movement** (1409-1418)New New Monarchs (Characteristics) * State tends toward supremacy over the church.
* “New Monarchs” assert control over national churches.
* Maintaining a standing [army](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Army) loyal to the monarch
* Encouraging some sense of national identity (but by no means [nationalism](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nationalism) yet)
* Fostering [trade](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trade), both internally and externally
* Enforcing religious unity within their countries
* Machiavelli

Examples 1. [Louis XI of France](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Louis_XI_of_France) — united [France](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/France), reorganized the economy, and weakened the power of the nobility
2. [Isabella I of Castile](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Isabella_I_of_Castile) and [Ferdinand II of Aragon](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ferdinand_II_of_Aragon) — brought their kingdoms together under a single political dynasty, weakened the power of the nobility, completed the [Reconquista](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reconquista),
3. Exploration and expansion.
 | Change over Time Old-Manor System * Serfs
* Guilds
* High taxation
* Limited Production
* Agriculturally Based

New Commercial Revolution * Rise of Capitalism(money lender/ usury)
	+ The Medici
	+ Fuggers
	+ National banks
* Double entry book keeping
* Over sea trading- Atlantic Economy
	+ Triangle Trade
	+ Columbian Exchange
	+ Dutch East Indian Company
* Rise of Burghers. Aristocracy
* Growth of Towns
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