Engineering an Empire: Da Vinci’s World

1. After the Dark Ages _____________ lit up the world, it emerged from the devastating clouds of the Black Death.

2. The enterprise of renaissance engineering is the recovery of ______________ knowledge.

3. This Era created a bold new sense that nothing was _________________.

4. In the 12th & 13th centuries, Italy is beginning in rebirth because what’s happening is that ________________ is being reinstated to the Italian peninsula mainly through the Holy Roman Empire through the system called feudalism.

5. New Rulers of the Italian city-states emerge, they are the _________________.

6. Wealth bought power and power could buy ______________ & architecture.

7. What resource was necessary for the prosperity of Siena?

   What engineering feat brought this resource to the city?

8. In 1347, the Black Death struck. One conservative estimate states that Siena los over ______% of its population in just a few months.

9. In the 13th & 14th centuries ______________ were the power centers of Europe.

10. Humanism is an interest in the ______________ world.

11. Renaissance literally means ______________ or revival.

12. The Medicis, one of the wealthiest families in Florence led the way to revitalize Rome and made Florence the new _________________.

13. What was the centerpiece of this effort?

14. What did Brunelleschi go to study? ______________.

   What structure did he study? ______________.

   Describe some aspects of the process to build the dome.

15. Which Brunelleschi innovation is a cornerstone of engineering today?

16. What is the single point off in the distance called?
17. What were Renaissance architects forced to focus their attention on building?

18. 15th Century Italy: What former powerhouse is on the rise again?

19. Pope Sixtus V and the Popes that come after him feel the need to revitalize Rome. To clean up Rome, Sixtus had all the vandals rounded up and ________________.

20. Many people think that it is with the Renaissance that ________________ culture begins. This period did so much to pull us out of a ________________.

21. For the History Channel, I’m ________________________________. (You all know this answer!)