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MARTIN LUTHER AND THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION

A. Listening Exercise: Protestant Reformation (1517)

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IATyzSAjC1w>

1. What does the word “reformation” mean to you? Do not use a dictionary!
2. Study the vocabulary before you watch the video!

Vocabulary/Useful expressions	Explain the meaning, do not copy dictionary.
To shake the foundation of something Social grievances To influence To exacerbate To be determined by man himself To stray away from To question something Indulgences Heretic To be unprecedented	

Ramification	
Prior to something	
To be empowered	

3. Watch the video. Then answer the questions in full sentences!

1. Which technological innovation contributed to the successful development of the protestant reformation and how? Be specific.
2. Which idea in the Renaissance empowered the ideas behind the reformation?
3. Where do we find salvation according to Luther? How is that different from the Catholic church?

B. Journal Writing

Discuss the expressions: social grievances, to question, to be determined.

What do they mean to you? Are these expressions of value in our society today? Explain your thinking as you state your opinion.

C. PARAGRAPH WRITING - CROSSING BOUNDARIES 2

Crossing Boundaries - Critical Thinking

In the case of Luther, we can clearly observe the importance of critical thinking and the role it plays when we read or study. We also see the immense risk he was willing to take to criticize the church and commit himself to his conscience.

Since Luther and the 1500's a lot has changed in many parts of the world. In the U.S., most citizens learn how to read and write, we can exercise free speech, and you have boundless opportunities to express yourself, your opinions and ideas on YouTube,

Facebook, and Twitter. However, there are many countries where free speech is still restricted and citizens can be persecuted, or simply put away in prison, or even killed for expressing their opinions.

Take a moment and brainstorm your own ideas of critical thinking and self-expression. Consider your cultural background and your experience. Which role should critical thinking play in society, in your opinion?

Write a full paragraph. Begin with a clear topic sentence. Introduce the topic of critical thinking. What is your position? Discuss and offer examples to support your thinking.

Minimum 300 words.