Directions: Read and annotate the packet. Then thoroughly answer the questions below on another sheet of paper.

1. Which regions did Italians trade with during the the Renaissance? What were some of the effects of this extensive trade?

2. How did Francesco Sforza become the duke of Milan? What were the effects of his rule?

3. What were the benefits of Venice’s and Naples’s locations, respectively?

4. What are some of the differences in how the Sforas family and the Medici family gained their power?

5. What church doctrines began to be ignored at this time? Why do you think this happened?

6. Why did the Spanish and the French invade the Italian states? What happened during these wars?

7. Do you think advisors to political leaders today believe in the same things that Baldassare Castiglione did during the Renaissance?

8. What was the goal of marriage during the Renaissance? What was a dowry?

9. What contributed to the rise of the Italian states during the Renaissance?

10. How was society characterized during the Renaissance?