

Renaissance Daily Life

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

Students will build a model or diorama depicting a scene from Renaissance-era daily life.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- a shoebox or sturdy piece of cardboard/poster board
- scissors
- tape or glue
- colored paper or fabric scraps
- colored pencils or markers

HANDS-ON ACTIVITY

1. Choose one Renaissance daily-life setting to depict: a marketplace, an artist's workshop, a wealthy family's home, or a printing shop.
2. Using a shoebox or folded poster board, build the base structure of your scene (walls, floor, and a backdrop).
3. Cut, draw, and add at least 5 small details or figures relevant to your chosen setting (e.g., market stalls with goods, an artist with a paintbrush and canvas, furniture, people in Renaissance-style clothing).
4. Add a small paper title card in front of your diorama naming the setting and listing 3 facts about daily life in that setting during the Renaissance.

QUESTIONS

1. What setting did you choose to build, and why?

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2. List the 5 details/figures you included and what each represents.

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3. What were the 3 facts about Renaissance daily life you wrote on your title card?
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4. How was daily life different for a wealthy Renaissance family compared to an ordinary craftsman or farmer?
