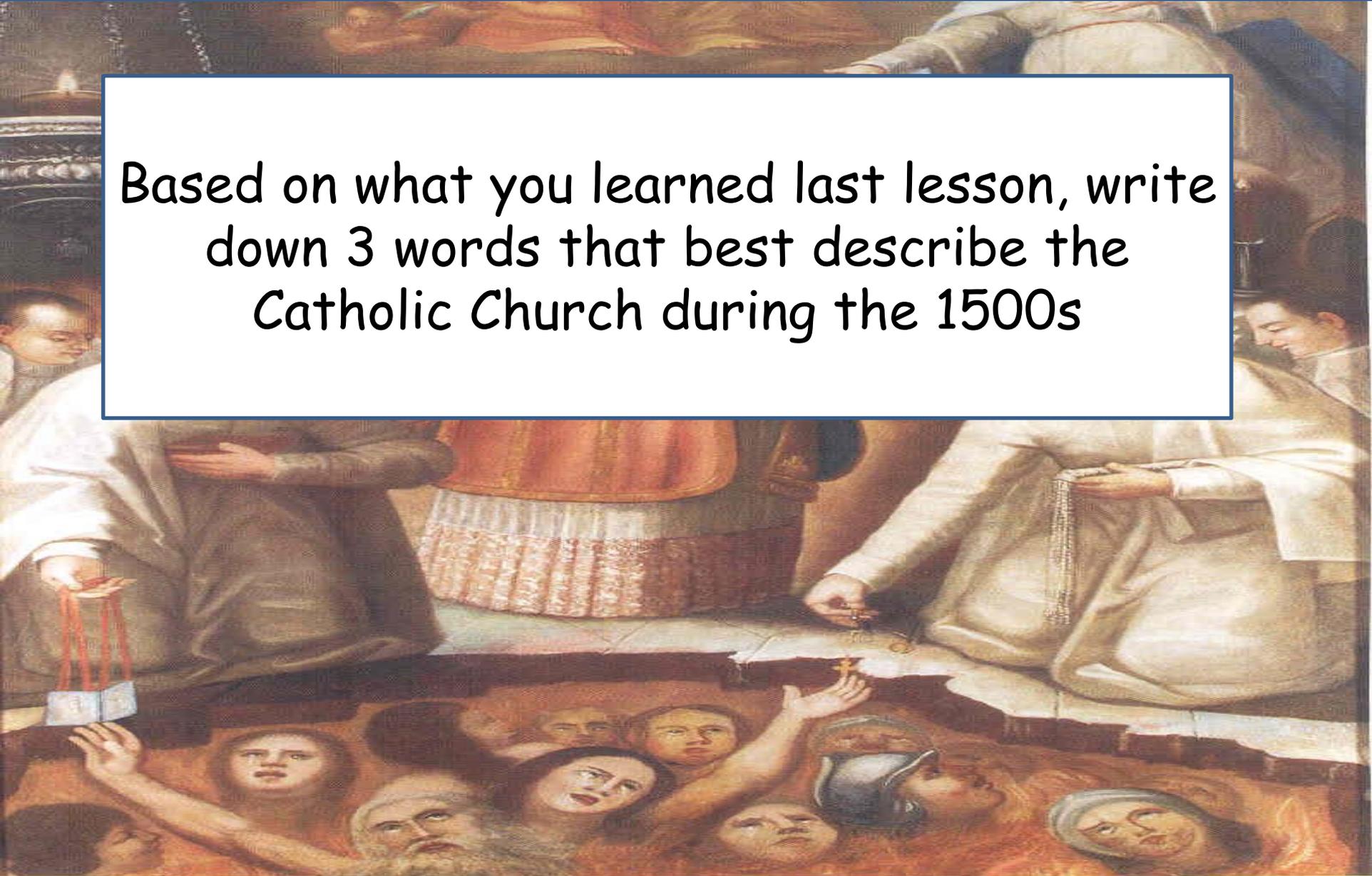


Starter...

Based on what you learned last lesson, write down 3 words that best describe the Catholic Church during the 1500s



Martin Luther and the Reformation

Learning Intention

To learn how Martin Luther started the Reformation

Success Criteria

- I will be able to describe the beliefs of Martin Luther
- I will be able to explain the impact of Martin Luther on the Reformation
- I will be evaluate whether he was an important figure in the Reformation



Glossary copy:

Reformation: changing or reforming religion in a country.

So who was Martin Luther?

Martin Luther was a German Catholic Priest who was born in 1483 and died in 1546. He started to have concerns about the nature of the Catholic Church and wrote 95 complaints (theses) which he nailed onto Wittenberg Church door in 1517. His ideas appealed to lot's of people and Luther became well known.



Think...from what you have already learned, what might his complaints be?

Task 1: Watch the animation clip about Martin Luther and answer the questions below

The story of Martin Luther



1. What did Martin Luther experience age 21?
2. What did Luther believe was unfair?
3. How many theses did he write?
4. Where did he nail his theses?
5. Where does Luther argue his case?
6. What is Luther declared as?
7. What language has the bible always been written in?
8. What new invention allowed the Bible to be published in lots of different languages?
9. What happened to the church and what two branches of Christianity now existed?

Copy: The Christian church being split into two branches was the start of a period called the Reformation. The new religion was called the **Protestant** religion because Martin Luther and his followers **protested** against some aspects of the Catholic religion.

Task 2: decide whether each statement is a Catholic or Protestant belief and colour code each box accordingly

Entry to heaven can only be reached by attending the church rituals. <input type="checkbox"/>	The clergy should be able to marry and have children. <input type="checkbox"/>	You need the clergy (church men) to help you understand the bible. <input type="checkbox"/>
Fancy elaborate ceremonies are not needed. <input type="checkbox"/>	Elaborate ceremonies with gold and expensive silver are good to show glory of God. <input type="checkbox"/>	The Bible should be read in any language so people can understand it and learn. <input type="checkbox"/>
The clergy cannot marry! It is against God. <input type="checkbox"/>	The Bible is the source of the truth (not the clergy). <input type="checkbox"/>	You must only pray to God or Jesus! They are the only ones who can listen. <input type="checkbox"/>
You don't need to go to church to reach heaven, you just need to believe in God. <input type="checkbox"/>	The Bible can only be read in Latin, it's sacred language! <input type="checkbox"/>	You must always pray to our dead saints as they can help solve your everyday problems. <input type="checkbox"/>

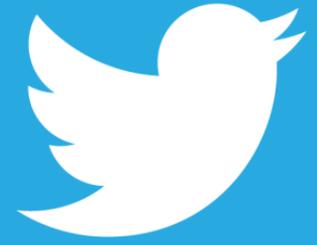
Imagine you are living in Scotland during the 1500s. You have heard all about Martin Luther and his beliefs. You want to let people know that there's a new religion but you need to be very careful because you would be accused of heresy and burned at the stake if it was discovered you were spreading Protestant ideas.

Task 3:

Design a poster that you can pin onto the local Catholic church door one night to highlight the corruption in the Catholic Church and try to get people to become Protestant.

Task 4: Write a short paragraph explaining why Martin Luther was an important figure in the Reformation.

To finish...



If Martin Luther had had access to social media, what would he have tweeted?

Create a tweet to get his message out there.

Example: ***The Catholic Church is Corrupt#End Indulgences#Believe in Protestantism***