



Guided Reading Activity 10-3

The Culture of the High Middle Ages

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the blanks below as you read the section.

- I. The _____ as we know it today was a product of the Middle Ages.
 - A. The first _____ university appeared in Bologna, Italy.
 - B. Teaching at a medieval university was done by a _____ method.
 1. No _____ were given after a series of lectures.
 2. After completing the liberal arts curriculum, a student could go on to study _____, _____, or _____.
- II. Beginning in the twelfth century, theology was influenced by _____.
 - A. Scholasticism harmonized _____ teachings with _____ philosophers.
 - B. Thomas Aquinas's fame came from his attempt to _____ Bible knowledge with _____ and _____.
- III. _____ language is the everyday speech in a particular region.
 - A. The most popular vernacular literature of the twelfth century was _____ poetry.
 - B. Events described in heroic epic poems are _____ and _____ contests.
- IV. The cathedrals of the eleventh and twelfth century were of the _____ style.
 - A. Stone roofs were heavy so churches required massive _____ and _____.
 - B. Two innovations made _____ cathedrals possible:
 1. ribbed _____ and pointed _____
 2. the flying _____, a heavy, outside, arched support of stone.
 - C. Gothic cathedral walls were filled with magnificent _____ windows.