Questions for Social Studies Tech Book Section 18.2: Cultural Contributions of the Renaissance

1. In which City-State was Machiavelli born? During which years did he participate in politics? Why was he forced to stop?

2. Why is *The Prince* a controversial work? How does it reflect humanism?

3. Why are the paintings of Leonardo da Vinci considered to be masterpieces?

4. How did Michelangelo display classicism in his works?

5. Why type (the material) of paintings did Jan van Eyck paint?

6. What are some of the major themes that Shakespeare explored in his plays?

7. How did the printing press affect the middle class of society?

8. What field did Andreas Vesalius study? Whose earlier work did he correct?