

An Early Reformer – Jan Hus



Read the short passage below and then answer the questions.

Jan Hus was a priest in Bohemia. He criticized the huge amount of wealth the church had collected and spoke out against the pope's authority. The true head of the church, he said, was Jesus Christ.

Hus wanted to purify the church and return it to the people. He called for an end to corruption among the clergy. He wanted both the Bible and the mass to be offered in the common language of the people instead of Latin.

In 1414, Hus was arrested and charged with heresy, speaking against the church. In July 1415, he was burned at the stake. Hus had a major influence on future reformers. Martin Luther would later say that he and his supporters were "all Hussites without knowing it."

1. Based on the reading, what, most likely, was Bohemia?
 - a. A house
 - b. A church
 - c. A country
 - d. A planet

2. What does "purify" in the second paragraph mean?
 - a. Clean up and fix
 - b. Completely change
 - c. Destroy and rebuild
 - d. Ignore and leave

3. What does the suffix "ites" in "Hussites" most likely mean?
 - a. From the city of Hus
 - b. Followers of the ideas of Hus
 - c. Things without Hus
 - d. People who dislike Hus

4. Which statement best summarizes this reading?
 - a. Hus wanted to purify the church.
 - b. Hus believed the pope was the one true leader of the church.
 - c. Hus was an important figure in speaking out against the church and influenced early reformers greatly.
 - d. Hus was arrested and charged with heresy and for being a priest in Bohemia.

STATION ROTATION NOTES!

With a partner, travel around the class to examine each station. Discuss the questions with your partner, and then **record the MOST IMPORTANT detail that you learned from your discussion**. Complete this for all stations.

Station 1		Station 2	
Station 3		Station 4	
Station 5		Station 6	
Station 7		Station 8	
Station 9		Station 10	
Station 11		Station 12	

Final Reflection Space:

Complete each sentence prompt with your final thoughts.

Before participating in this station rotation activity, I *understood* that the Reformation...

After completing this activity, I *know* that the Reformation...