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The Renaissance is the most interesting historical period that I would like to travel to if given an opportunity. The Renaissance is a French word that means 'rebirth,' and it was a representation of the development of scientific invention and innovation, reason as well as the use of logic in the whole of Europe. This period spanned from the 14th century to the 17th century, and it started as a cultural movement in Italy during the Late Medieval times. This essay argues that the Renaissance was the most crucial cultural movement in the entire human history because it influenced the development of music, creativity, as well as various societal and cultural areas that characterize modernity.

To begin with, the Renaissance played a direct role in the development of new ways of thinking. It changed people's perceptions regarding religion and its purpose in society (Burke, 2014). Remarkably, the renaissance is heavily cited as the departure point for the Protestant Reformation during the times of Martin Luther who led a breakaway from the then powerful Catholic Church. Before this time, the Church was so dominant that it encouraged primitive thinking among people. However, religion failed in answering some questions regarding the universe and the existence of life. Thus, I would have taken the pleasure in studying the key areas where religion failed while examining the then patterns in human thinking regarding various aspects of society and human progress (Brown & Davis, 2014).

Also, music and art began during the Renaissance period. There was great art, beauty and celebrated artists such as Leonardo da Vinci together with Michelangelo came to limelight during this time. Moreover, spirited writers such as William Shakespeare produced masterpieces that have the most substantial influence on the progress of humanity. During the 15th century,

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the Burgundian School played a significant role in the development and spread of music. Music was fundamentally used as an essential tool of expression, and it turned Italy into a European center for musical innovation (Brown & Davis, 2014). Many literary experts share the belief that the Renaissance had a direct influence on the advancements in arts, science, and literature. During this period, artists gained a renowned sense of prestige and their work influenced innovative ideas that helped in steering the world ahead (Hall, 2014). As an ardent fan of music and artistic work, I would take an interest in learning the factors that influenced the development of music at the time, and I would learn some of the transitions that music has had to go through for it to become what it is today.

Besides, the Renaissance marked the advent of the Scientific Revolution (Hall, 2014). During this period, new ideas flourished, and human beings demonstrated a high level of freedom in their thinking. As a result, there was diverse innovation as well as the advancement of numerous scientific disciplines. In my opinion, this was the period of pure thought that catapulted the world to new heights. Due to the discovery of the Gutenberg printing press in 1450, there an increased spread of ideas and sharing of knowledge (Burke, 2014). I would have felt delighted and honored to be part and parcel of the scientific revolution of the period.

In a nutshell, if I had a chance to travel back in time, I would consider the renaissance period. This was remarkable a time of great creativity, curiosity, and imagination that saw the development of exploration in the world. I would have taken pleasure in influencing the various ideas in politics, work of art, scientific innovation, religion, literature, philosophy, as well as politics. This was a period that influenced the current state of the world, and it played a significant role in challenging the dominance of religion and the Catholic Church.

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