

Abbot Suger

- Around what age did Suger join the church?
- When was the Abbey of St. Denis founded?
- What country was Denis the patron saint of?
- Would Abbot Suger's political influence be described as nonexistent, minor, decent, or extremely powerful?
- What does the geographical location of the church have to do with the traditional story of St. Denis?

Chartres

- How long did the rebuilding of the Chartres cathedral begun in 1194 take?
- What is inlaid into the floor of Chartres cathedral?
- Which of the two spires of the cathedral is older, and from what year(s) does it date?
- What important relic was housed at Chartres?
- What activities other than church services has Chartres' space been used for?
- For what amazingly preserved decorative element is Chartres best known?

Giotto

- What city was Giotto from?
- Who was his teacher?
- What is the subject of Giotto's earliest known works?
- In 1334, what honorary title was given to Giotto by the city of Florence?
- What 2 elements of his paintings set Giotto apart from earlier painters?

Thomas Aquinas

- According to his contemporaries, was Aquinas large or small in stature?
- What is the name for the school of philosophy founded upon his ideas?
- What great and influential teacher Aquinas study under beginning in 1244?
- The school of philosophy founded by Aquinas tries to integrate Christian philosophy with the ideas of what 2 great philosophers?
- What does Aquinas' concept of Philosophical Realism say about man?

Gargoyle

- From what root word does the term gargoyle come?
- What does that word mean?
- What practical purpose did gargoyles serve?
- What's the difference between a gargoyle and a grotesque?
- What was the symbolic or spiritual purpose of the gargoyles?
- From what substance are most gargoyles made?