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Guilds in the Renaissance



During the Renaissance, _____ played a crucial role in city life. These organizations were made up of skilled _____ and _____ who controlled trade and commerce. Each guild focused on a specific trade, such as blacksmithing, weaving, or goldsmithing. Members of a guild were required to follow strict rules and pay dues, but in return, they received protection and support. Guilds also ensured quality control of products, providing a _____ of approval that guaranteed the craftsmanship of an item. Apprenticeships were common, where young people would learn a trade under the guidance of a master _____. After years of training, an apprentice could become a _____, and eventually, with enough skill and resources, a master craftsman themselves. Guilds held significant _____ in Renaissance cities, often influencing political decisions and economic policies. They organized _____ and parades, contributing to the vibrant cultural life of the time. The decline of guilds began with the rise of _____ and the expansion of global trade, which introduced new forms of business organization. Despite this, the legacy of guilds can still be seen today in various professional associations and trade unions.

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