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During the Crusades, some Europeans became very rich from the items they brought back from the Middle East.

This coin, a silver denier (a denier was roughly the French equivalent of the penny) depicts one of the Crusader Kings of Antioch, King Bohemond III (1162-1201 A.D.) On the left is a helmeted head of the king in chain-maille armor. There is also a crescent and star on each side of the king. On the right is a cross, symbol of the Christian Crusaders. This image is courtesy of ancientresource.com.
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Queen Elizabeth I of England is shown in this circa 1588 portrait to commemorate the defeat of the Spanish Armada. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.
The Renaissance created a spirit of optimism, self-reliance, and a desire to explore and to have adventures.

This image shows shipwrights constructing a ship in 1541. This small ship would be used in searching for food. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.
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Members of the nobility are known as nobles.

This image shows French aristocrats circa 1774. This image was created by Antoine-Jean Cuclos (1742-1795) circa 1774. This image is courtesy of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and of Wikimedia Commons.
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Before the Renaissance, nobles controlled their own small areas or fiefdoms.

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