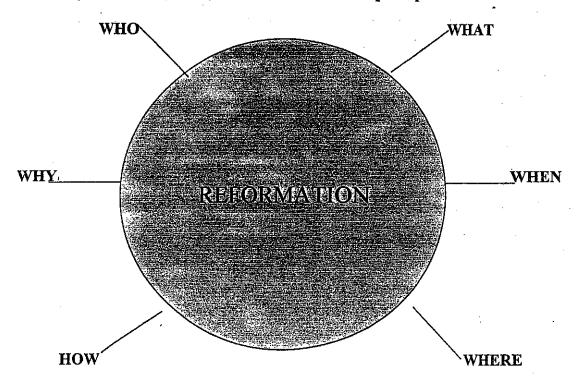
REFORMATION

Martin Luther was a catholic priest in Germany who led the Reformation, a movement that called for religious reform. He was against some church practices such as the sale of indulgences, which allowed people to buy pardons for their sins. In 1517 Luther wrote his 95 Thesis in which he attacked certain church practices and posted them on the castle church doors in Wittenberg, Germany. This was the first major publication that questioned the authority of the Pope and the Catholic Church.

DIRECTIONS: Read the above information about the Reformation, then fill in the who, why, how, what, when, and where on the concept map.



Many people agreed with Luther's ideas for a variety of different reasons. German princes who agreed with Luther became known as Protestants, which comes from the word protestor.

- 1. Think about where religious ideas came from in Europe before Luther's 95 Thesis. List your answers.
- 2. From what you know about religion in modern day society make a prediction about how Luther's ideas for reform impacted the Catholic Church.