

Spanish Inquisition Questions

Read the following package and answer these questions as completely as possible. Feel free to use the technology at your disposal to help you if you feel what I've given you is limited.

1) When did the Inquisition occur?

2) Describe the purpose of it.

3) How was it used in Spain and Portugal?

4) Explain how the church justified its actions during the Inquisition.

5) Describe how the trials worked.

6) What sort of torture was used?

7) Why do people only think of the Inquisition? What does this tell us about the need to study history?

8) What is an Auto-de-fe?

MAKING CONNECTIONS

After watching the video clip, how accurate is this? Explain. Is there any historical merit to a video such as this? Who might have more right to be offended by this video? Should anybody be offended by this video? Do you think humor has a place in history when it comes to events such as these? Why would Mel Brooks, the Grand Inquisitor, and Jackie Mason, prisoner hanging from wall, (both Jewish) do a skit such as this? Answer on a separate sheet of paper.