# READING LIKE A HISTORIAN



## Reformation (7.9.1)

# Background:

Martin Luther, a Catholic monk, was troubled by the Catholic Church's practice of selling indulgences and wrote a letter to the Archbishop of Mainz to explain his position.

### Prompt:

Why did Luther challenge the Catholic Church?

#### Task:

In a well thought out response:

- State a claim in response to the prompt, using the prompt as a sentence stem.
- Support your claim using at least three pieces of evidence from the documents.
  - o Be sure to explain why the evidence you selected supports your claim.
- Research and incorporate an additional piece of evidence from a credible source that critiques Luther.
  - o Use this additional piece of evidence as the basis for a counterclaim.