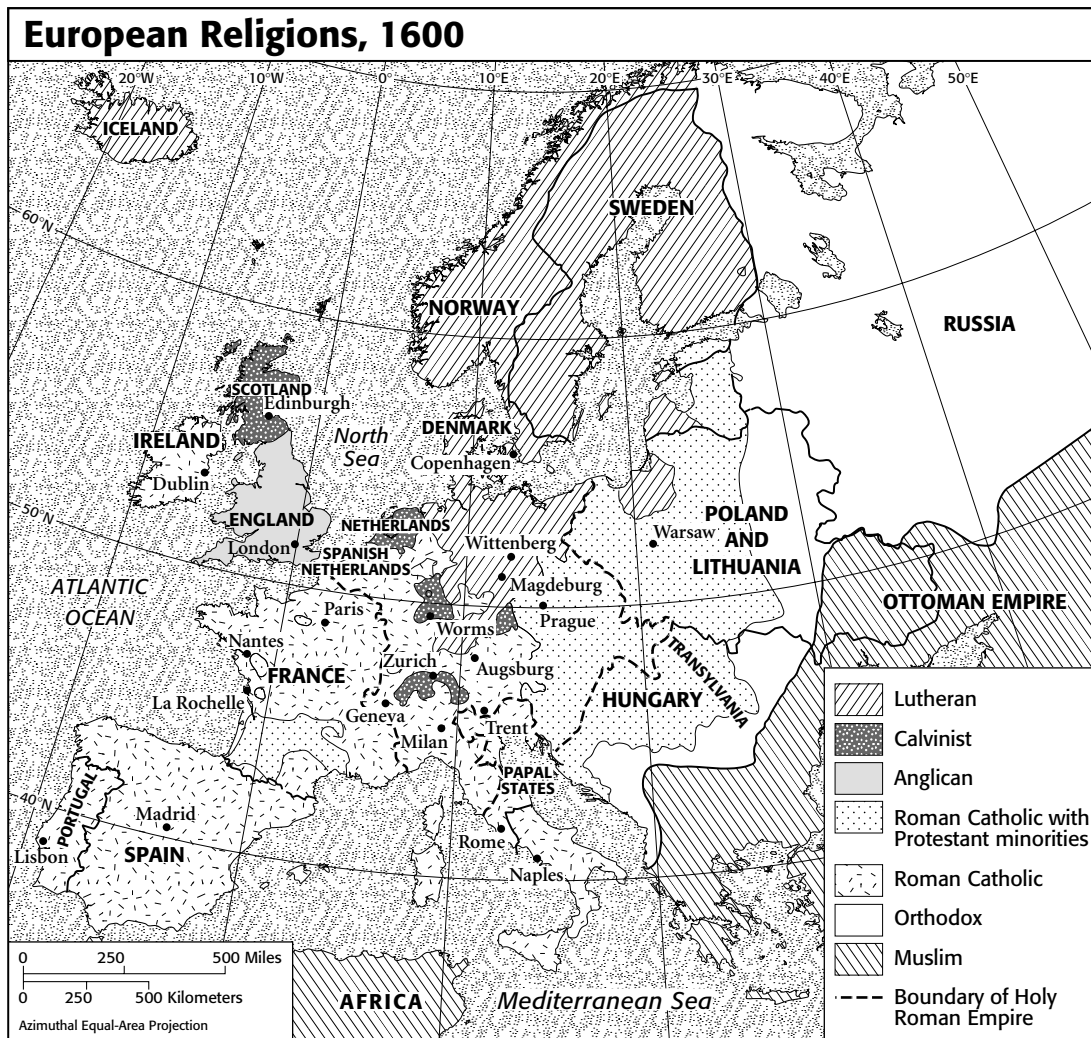


CHAPTER 5

Map Activity

European Religions

In the 1500s Europe experienced a religious upheaval called the Reformation. During this period, new Protestant faiths challenged the dominance of the Roman Catholic Church. The results of this conflict permanently altered the religious landscape of Europe. Examine the map, then answer the questions on the following page.



Chapter 5, Map Activity, continued

1. What religions are indicated on the map? What does the dark line show?

2. What was the dominant religion of England in 1600? Of Scotland? Of Ireland?

3. What was the main religion of the Ottoman Empire? What major religious group did the Ottomans come into contact with to the north?

4. What was the dominant religion of Southern Europe in 1600? How was that dominance challenged in some places?

5. What was the main religion of the Scandinavian countries? What about Poland and Lithuania?

6. **Critical Thinking: Place** During the 1600s, the Holy Roman Empire—an empire associated with the Roman Catholic Church—began to fall apart. How does the map help explain that collapse?

ACTIVITY Choose a European country and find out about the religion or religions practiced there today. Gather as many details as possible, including percentages of followers of various faiths. Then compare your findings with what the map shows for your chosen country in 1600. Report the results of your research in class.