Scholastics and Medieval Universities

Complete this handout with your partner as you review article 24, “Scholastics and Medieval Universities,” in the student book.

1. What is a modern college or university like? Why do people go to a college or university today?
2. What was the purpose of medieval universities? Who went to them?
3. How did the medieval universities begin?
4. Describe scholasticism.
5. Why is Saint Thomas Aquinas considered so influential in the development of the Church’s doctrine?
6. What did Saint Anselm and Blessed John Duns Scotus promote?
7. Based on this reading about medieval universities, compare and contrast medieval universities and modern colleges and universities. What do they appear to have in common? How are they different? Which one would you rather attend, and why?