PROBLEMS FACED IN THE MEETINGS.

Excommunicated	Plague	lucrative	Doctrine	Muhlberg	Index	Pole	reactionary
accomodation	135	Organisation	Maurice	18	31	North	Spanish

Introduction

There were ultimately to be three meetings of the Council - 1545-7, 1551-2, 1562-63. The first two meetings focused on issues of _____, whereas the third was more concerned with issues of _____. Though it would appear to have a life span of _____ years, it was only engaged in talks for four and a half years.

General Problems of the meetings as a whole:

• **Geographical Position**: Trent was chosen as neutral ground (an independent bishopric) even though it was cold in winter and had poor _____ facilities.

• **Composition of Membership**: Only _____ turn up for first session but grows eventually to 237. But few from _____ of the Alps and the list of 235 in 1563 gave _____ Italians; 89 of these were from _____ - controlled or independent territories.

▪ **Attitude of the Papacy**: Most of the popes at this time did not want to lose power and "they did not feel any enthusiasm for the abolition of abuses which were _____ for the Papacy." (Cowie)

Specific Problems of each meeting:

1. Paul III's First Council (1545-47): Plague and problems with CV

• Brought to a premature end by

(a) An outbreak of _____

(b) CV's annoyance with the Papal emphasis on doctrine rather than abuses

(c) CV's feeling that a military solution was possible following the Battle of _____

2. Julius III's Second Council (1551-2): Gets nowhere

• Made little headway because:

(a) Charles V insisted that Protestants be admitted. Their demands (e.g. that Bishops should be relieved of an oath of loyalty to the Papacy) were clearly unacceptable.

(b) _____ of Saxony (Protestant) advanced an army towards Trent, which hastened the dissolution of the meeting.

3. Paul IV: summons no Council as he is too reactionary (Index)

• In 1555 The Peace of Augsburg acknowledged the permanent division of faith in Germany.

• This could have been the cause of a third meeting of the Council of Trent to pick up pieces but new Pope Paul IV (1555-9) was much more _____ than his immediate predecessors: he publishes the _____ *of Prohibited Books* in 1559.

• This no substitute for a General Council as he has little independent power beyond the Papal states - frustration at this led to him declaring war on Philip II and _____ Cardinal _____![1].

Pius IV summoned the Third Council (1562-3): Problems with France, Spain and Germany.

Despite the difficult attitude of France, Spain and Germany.

Focused on issues of organisation.

Task

▪ Produce EITHER a mindmap OR a grid summarising this information. Use illustrations.

[1] See Exercise p228-32 Jones.