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Middle Ages Museum and Knowledge Quest!

VILLAGE LIFE

1. Describe the attitude towards education in the Middle Ages.
2. Were the laws and punishments during this time too harsh? Why or why not? (Use an example from the Fact Files you read!)
3. Would you have enjoyed being a child during this time? Why/why not? Give examples from what you read!
4. List three categories of membership in a tradesmen guild.
5. Draw a medieval farm tool.

THE BLACK DEATH

1. Why was the Black Death such a problem?
2. List three symptoms of the Black Death.
3. Why did people of the time think they caught Black Death? What was their reasoning?
[ties in with religion]
4. Could something such as the Black Death happen now? Why/why not?
5. How did the population of Europe change as a result of this plague?

THE BEGINNING OF THE CRUSADES

1. What caused the Crusades to begin? Could this happen now?
2. What three major religions still claim the Holy Land?
3. Which group was more prepared for the Crusades?
4. Which pope was responsible for rallying the Christians to fight?
5. How many crusades occurred in this time period?
6. What were the negative and positive effects of the Crusades?

THE CHURCH IN THE MIDDLE AGES

1. What was the dominant church in the Middle Ages?
2. Why did the Church have so much power?
3. What makes cathedrals unique pieces of architecture?
4. Did economic status affect the way in which the church dealt with its members? Explain.
5. Do you think the way the church operated in the Middle Ages helped influenced countries such as America to have separation of church and state? Use examples from the Fact File to support your answer.

MONKS IN THE MIDDLE AGES

1. Why were monks and nuns important during this time?
2. What did a monk do?
3. How were monks and education (learning) connected during this time?
4. List the three vows of the Benedictine Rule.
5. Describe a monk's daily life.

ROBIN HOOD

1. Why was Robin Hood considered a hero?
2. Who was Robin Hood's enemy? Why?
3. Why is Robin Hood still remembered today?
4. Were Robin Hood's actions justified? Why or why not?

FOOD OF THE TIMES

1. Did everyone eat the same types of food? Did social class affect what one ate? Explain your answer!
2. How was food prepared?
3. What was appropriate etiquette for a typical medieval feast?
4. Name a dish you would like to try.

MEDIEVAL CLOTHING

1. What did the types of clothing tell about a person? How did this reflect class status?
2. What fabrics were used to make clothes? Give examples from different classes.
3. What accessories did people wear?
4. What stones and designs were used in jewelry? Give examples from different classes.

KNIGHTS AND TOURNAMENTS

1. Who were the knights? How did one become a knight?
2. How did knights behave? [Code of Chivalry]
3. What differences were apparent between weapons of war and weapons of tournaments?
4. Name three medieval weapons.
5. Describe the tournaments held in the Middle Ages.

KING ARTHUR

1. What is special about how Arthur became king?
2. Why did King Arthur commission to have a round table created?
3. Who killed King Arthur? How or why?
4. Why was the Holy Grail so significant to King Arthur?
5. Was King Arthur a great leader? Why/why not?

CASTLES AND THE FEUDAL SYSTEM

1. Which type of castle is your favorite? Why?

2. Draw a diagram of the Feudal System. Why did it start in the first place?

3. What area of a castle's defense was weakest?

4. Describe life in a castle. How was it self-sustaining?

WOMEN IN THE MIDDLE AGES

1. Were women an important part of the Middle Ages' society? Why/why not?

2. What professions could women hold during this time? Were some professions predominately held by women?

3. What happened if a woman as widowed?

4. Name one exceptional woman who lived during this time. What made her important?