

MEDIEVAL SOCIETY

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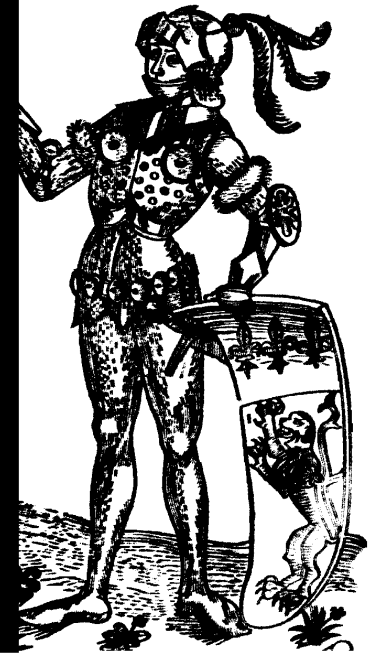
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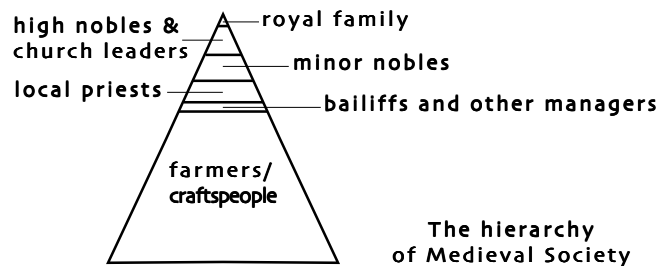
MULTIPLE CHOICE ANSWERS

1. the monarch
2. the nobles & church
3. by the allocation of lands
4. to help launch attacks
5. gothic
6. a tenth
7. agriculture
8. the manor house
9. the lord's representative in a village
10. by also working their lord's land
11. all three
12. all three
13. the protector of the village's crops
14. using cash to pay rent
15. the baron



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Focus Questions



Life during the Medieval period was very **hierarchical**. This meant that there was a place for everyone, and everyone was in their place. People were born into a job they held for life, whether it was king or farmer, and there was very little chance of moving up through society, especially for the peasant class - the farmers and craftspeople.



1. How would you describe the lives of the farmers and craftspeople shown in this video?
2. Can you think of any advantages to organising society this way?
3. What would be some of the disadvantages of this way of life?
4. How does this aspect of Medieval Society compare with our way of life today?
5. What others aspects of Medieval life would have made living at this time difficult?

Multiple Choice Questions

1 Who was the head and protector of medieval society?

- the church the peasants the nobles the monarch (king)

2 Who were the major supporters of the monarch?

- the nobles the church the peasants the nobles & church

3 How did the monarch maintain the loyalty of his supporters?

- by giving them land by having a large army by the fear of god by festivals and fairs

4 What was the main purpose of a castle?

- for defence to help launch attacks for warmth because of fashion

5 At this time, churches were built in what style of architecture?

- romanesque baroque gothic post-modern

6 What proportion of their income did farmers give to the church?

- all a half a quarter a tenth

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Multiple Choice Questions (continued)



7 Which activity dominated the medieval economy?

- agriculture
- industry
- hunting
- trade

9 A Bailiff was:

- the king's son
- a young priest
- the lord's representative in a village
- a peasant

11 Which animals were kept in medieval times?

- cattle
- sheep
- pigs
- all three

13 Who was the Hayward?

- the protector of the village's crops
- a young priest
- the king's envoy
- the lord of the manor

15 Who did the lord of the manor owe direct allegiance to?

- the peasants
- the church
- the baron
- the craftsmen

8 In medieval society, the centre for the local economy and organisation was:

- the city
- the manor house
- the king's castle
- the parish church

10 What was one way in which the peasants paid for the land they farmed?

- with money to pay rent
- by sending their children to work
- they did not have to pay anything
- by also working their lord's land

12 Which craftsmen could be found in medieval villages?

- carpenters
- blacksmiths
- potters
- all three

14 What eventually brought about a change to the type of society seen in this video?

- the command of a king
- using cash to pay rent
- a revolution
- the death of a king