

Medieval History Quiz

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1. What was the primary role of a serf in the feudal system?

- A) To serve as a knight in the king's army
- B) To farm the lord's land in exchange for protection
- C) To trade goods between distant kingdoms
- D) To manage the daily operations of a monastery

2. Which architectural style, popular in the late Middle Ages, is characterized by pointed arches and flying buttresses?

- A) Romanesque
- B) Byzantine
- C) Gothic
- D) Classical

3. In 1215, King John of England was forced to sign a document that limited his power and protected the rights of nobles. What is this document called?

- A) The Domesday Book
- B) The Magna Carta
- C) The Edict of Nantes
- D) The Treaty of Verdun

4. What was the main purpose of the Crusades?

- A) To establish trade routes with the Americas
- B) To capture the city of Jerusalem and the Holy Land
- C) To unite all of Europe under a single democratic government
- D) To invent new technologies like the printing press

5. Which religious institution held the most significant political and social power across Europe during the Middle Ages?

- A) The Eastern Orthodox Church
- B) The Roman Catholic Church
- C) The Islamic Caliphate
- D) The Buddhist Sangha

6. What is the term used for the code of conduct followed by medieval knights?

- A) Feudalism
- B) Chivalry
- C) Monasticism
- D) Guild system

7. The Black Death, which devastated Europe in the 14th century, was primarily spread by:

- A) Polluted water supplies
- B) Fleas living on rats
- C) Insects in the wheat crops
- D) Direct contact with contaminated gold coins

8. In medieval towns, what was the primary function of a guild?

- A) To protect and regulate the interests of workers in a specific craft
- B) To organize the defense of the town walls
- C) To collect taxes for the local lord
- D) To provide medical care to the poor