**MEDIEVAL WEB QUEST**

In an effort to utilize technology while expanding your knowledge of the Medieval period, you will be completing a web quest. I have provided a variety of topics related to the time period along with websites that provide information. Read through these sites to discover answers to each of the following questions. (There may be one question that you have to search on your own.) Be sure you use **complete sentences** to answer the following questions.

**About Feudalism**

<http://www.historyonthenet.com/Medieval_Life/feudalism.htm>

**1. The king, the barons, the knights, and the villeins (serfs) made up the feudal system. What role did each play?**

**About knights**

<http://medievaleurope.mrdonn.org/knights.html>

**2. What is the first level of becoming a Knight?**

**3. What sort of early training was there for a knight, when did it typically start, and what would he learn?**

**4. What is the second level of becoming a Knight, and what did that involve?**

<http://www.medieval-life-and-times.info/medieval-clothing/medieval-knight-clothing.htm>

<http://westernreservepublicmedia.org/middleages/feud_knights.htm>

**5. A knight typically wore a linen under-shirt, linen under- pants, and woolen stockings. Why was this important?**

**6. Why was a knight’s armor so expensive?**

**7. Before armor was made of plated metal, it was made of chain mail and generally covered only the chest and arms. How long did it take to make this chain mail armor, and what did it weight?**

**8. About how much did a suit of plated armor weigh?**

**9. What sort of weapons did a knight have?**

**About Crusades**

[**http://www.mrdowling.com/606islam.html**](http://www.mrdowling.com/606islam.html)

<http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/the_crusades.htm>

**10. Islam spread far away from its birthplace of what country?**

**11. Who fought against each other in the Crusades and why?**

**12. How did Pope Urban persuade knights to fight in the Crusades?**

**Importance of Crusades**

<http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/cru3.htm>

**13. Name 3 ways Europe benefited from the crusades and give examples for each.**

**About Weapons**

<http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/longbow.htm>

[**http://www.lordsandladies.org/the-longbow.htm**](http://www.lordsandladies.org/the-longbow.htm)

 **Longbow**

**14. Describe a longbow…how it was made and the force required to operate it.**

**15. What were arrows like that were made for longbows?**

**16. Why was the longbow particularly effective?**

**17. What was the maximum range of a longbow?**

**About Other Weapons**

<http://www.medievalwarfare.info/weapons.htm>

**18. What is a mace, and how does it differ from a hammer?**

<http://www.medieval-life-and-times.info/medieval-weapons/warhorse.htm>

**19. Describe a medieval warhorse. What was the most common type?**

**20. Describe a jousting lance.**

**21. Pick one other type of medieval weapon to describe.**

**About cathedrals**

<https://www.durhamworldheritagesite.com/architecture/cathedral/construction>

**22. How did the church use indulgences (pardons) as a means for building cathedrals?**

**Cost of building a cathedral**

<http://books.google.com/books?id=x1pFGnY4L3UC&pg=PA9&dq=how+much+would+it+cost+to+build+a+medieval+cathedral?&hl=en&sa=X&ei=G0NNVNW5A47-yQSoyYKoBg&ved=0CCUQ6AEwAQ>

**23. Cathedrals easily took half a century or more to build. What might that cost be in modern times?**

**About the Black Death**

[**http://www.mrdowling.com/703-plague.html**](http://www.mrdowling.com/703-plague.html)

**24. Where did Black Death start?**

**25. Why was the plague called the Black Plague and how many people died from it?**

**26. How was it spread?**

**27. How did the plague affect the body?**

**28. Why was the Black Plague often called the Bubonic Plague?**

**About Medieval Tortures**

<http://history.howstuffworks.com/middle-ages/10-medieval-torture-devices.htm>

**29. About how long did the Middle Ages last?**

**30. For what reasons were people tortured during the Medieval period?**

**31. Other than torture is cruel and unusual, why are Medieval tortures even more disturbing?**

**32. How did the rack work?**

**33. One device was so heinous it was thought to be fictitious until its discovery in the 1800’s. What was it and where was it discovered?**

**34. Of the ten medieval tortures you see, which do you find the worst and why?**

**Medieval Medical Practices**

<http://listverse.com/2013/07/31/10-bizarre-medieval-medical-practices/>

**35. Describe 3 unusual medical practices excluding bloodletting.**

<http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/health_and_medicine_in_medieval_.htm>

**36. Who were typical surgeons?**

**37. What did the red and white on a barber pole represent?**

**38. Explain bloodletting.**

<http://www.oddee.com/item_96620.aspx>

**39. What juice did surgeons use that could induce sleep but also cause a patient to stop breathing?**

**About Dental Hygiene**

(Remedies tested in modern times)

<http://gallowglass.org/jadwiga/herbs/teeth.html>

**40. What happened with the rosemary charcoal rub for cleaning teeth when it was tried in modern times?**

**About Crime and Punishment**

<http://www.historyonthenet.com/medieval_life/crimeandpunishment.htm>

**41. What is the difference between a manorial court (trial by jury) and the king’s court (trial by ordeal)?**

**42. Explain the 3 ordeals used to try people.**

**43. Which crimes were heard by the King’s court?**

**44-53. Complete the following true/false quiz.**

\_\_\_\_\_44. All crimes had harsh punishments.

\_\_\_\_\_45. Being placed in the stocks was a medieval punishment.

\_\_\_\_\_46. There was a medieval police force to catch criminals.

\_\_\_\_\_47. The manorial court was held on the manor.

\_\_\_\_\_48. There were fifteen men in the jury.

\_\_\_\_\_49. A tithing was a group of ten.

\_\_\_\_\_50. Serious crimes were heard in the King’s court.

\_\_\_\_\_51. Ordeal by fire was a way of deciding if someone were guilty.

\_\_\_\_\_52. The Lord’s Steward was in charge of the King’s court.

\_\_\_\_\_53. After 1214, Trial by Ordeal was replaced by Trial by Jury.

**About Castles**

<http://www.historyonthenet.com/medieval_life/types_of_castle.htm>

**54. What was a Motte and Bailey castle?**

**55. Describe a concentric castle.**