

Middle Ages Newspaper(Class Project)

You can work by yourself or with one partner.

Option #1

Contents:

Cover page(Title of paper and headline)

One cover story or main story on the cover

Table of Contents (beginning of the Newspaper; page 1-3)

1 sports story(sporting event of the time—examples-jousting, sword fighting or be creative.)

1 Society Stories(parties of kings/queens, marriages at local manors, etc)

1 Religious story

1 Story on the French government

1 Story on the English government

1 Story on the Black Plague

1 trade route story

1 Crusades Story

1 Commentary(your opinion on an issue or an incident)

Must do 7 of the 9, after that you can choose. The newspaper/magazine must contain 9 stories in all.

2 Ads at least but can have more

1 Comic Strip or entertainment section(music review or book review)

You can use construction paper or white paper. The newspapers should be folded over and contain all of the above stories in any order you like. Be sure to include and index page. Each story is worth 10 points. The stories need to contain information about the time period, who is involved, major leaders, and anything else that would be determined important. There is no length requirement but if there is showing of lack of effort, information, or content points will be taken off accordingly. The best way to attack each story is by addressing who, what, when, where, and why this story or person is important. If you do not have all of those there is a chance your article is not complete. Each story needs to have a different author so come up with names.

The ads need to include the invention, the price, and a slogan of inventions discussed in class. It does not need to be an invention from Europe but does need to be an item that was sold in Europe.

The comic strip can be a block strip cartoon or one picture. You need not be an awesome drawer to get all of the points for this. The comic strip should be addressing an issue or thought of the time such as the Bubonic Plague, the church, kings in power, the Crusades etc.

Option 2/3

You are a local musician/poetry writer who is looking to get noticed. Living in the Middle Ages allows you a lot of creative outlets because of the Plague, the Crusades, and the local Manorial System.

Create 7 Songs/Poems

Options to write about but not limited to:

The Plague

A local king or queen

The Crusades

The conflict with the Muslims

The songs/poems must be at least 6 lines

-Create an album cover(name your group also)/book cover and include 2-3 pictures depicting the time period. For the album there needs to be a drawing of the singer(s)

-Also include a short bio about your group or the authors of the poems

Have your words inserted inside

-Include an advertisement for your album or poetry book.

Like the Newspaper each song will be graded individually and will be worth 10 points. They must contain information about the time period and need to be creative.