*Peasant Work*  Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Medieval Europe: Comprehension Questions**

**Feudalism and Manorialism:**

1. What was the social and economic system in Europe during the Middle Ages? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. There was a contract between two groups in the Feudal system. Who was the contract made between?

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1. What did the vassals promise their lords?
2. What did the lord promise to give his vassals?
3. What was a “fief”?

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| Draw the two groups who made a contract in the feudal system. | Draw what the vassals gave their lords. | Draw what the lord gave their vassals. |

1. What was the relationship between the peasants and their lord called? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. What did the peasants give their lords?
3. What did the lord give to their peasants?

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| Draw the two groups who made a contract in the manorial system. | Draw what the peasants gave their lords. | Draw what the lord gave their peasants. |

**The Great Schism**

1. What was the “Great Schism”?
2. Which group was the authority over the religion of the Western part of the Roman Empire?
3. Which group was the authority over the religion of the Byzantine Empire?
4. Who is the leader of the Roman Catholic Church?

**The Catholic Church**

1. Were most Europeans during the Middle Ages educated?
2. Who continued to learn, read, and write during the Middle Ages?
3. Who preserved culture and learning during the Middle Ages?
4. What language did the Roman Catholic Church use during the Middle Ages?
5. Who was a powerful Frankish king during the late 8th century?
6. What were Charlemagne’s accomplishments?

**Crusades**

1. What were the Crusades?
2. Who did Catholic volunteers from Europe attack?
3. Why did the Catholics attack the Muslims?
4. Who called Catholics to fight the Muslims?
5. Why did knights choose to go on the Crusades?
6. Why did peasants choose to go on the Crusades?
7. Why did others choose to go on the Crusades?
8. What were the effects of the Crusades?

1)

2)

3)

**The Plague**

1. What disease killed thousands of people during the Middle Ages?
2. How did the Bubonic Plague spread to Europe?
3. What were the effects of the plague?

1)

2)

**The Magna Carta**

1. What was the contract between nobles and the King called?
2. What does the Magna Carta do to the power of the King?
3. Which king signed the Magna Carta?
4. When was the Magna Carta signed?
5. Which code of law made law more simple and just?
6. Why was Justinian’s Code important and helpful?

**Silk Road**

1. What trade route helped Europeans and Chinese trade?
2. Was the Silk Road over land or water?
3. Complete the chart with the items traded by each region on the silk road:

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|  | Europe | China | India |
| Items Traded |  |  |  |

1. What was Marco Polo famous for?
2. What road did Marco Polo travel on?

**Tension between France and England**

1. What is another name for William of Normandy?
2. Where was William of Normandy from?
3. What area did William the Conqueror take over?
4. When did he conquer that land?
5. Which countries fought the Hundred Years War?
6. What were they fighting about?
7. Why did Joan of Arc think France had the right to rule its entire territory?
8. What did Joan of Arc convince King Charles to let her do?
9. Where did Joan of Arc and her army defeat the English army?
10. What happened to Joan of Arc?