Research Project Ideas for Medieval Europe

Select from the topics listed, either events or way of life, to do research on. You will answer the ‘W’ questions: Who, What, When, Where, Why along with the question of ‘How did this impact or change life for current generations as well as their posterity?’ (future generations).

Medieval Manor  Medieval Castle
Gothic Cathedral or its’ parts- gargoyles, City of Constantinople
flying buttress, stained glass windows… Illuminated Letter/ Manuscript
Mosaic Coat of Arms or Armor/Heraldry
Medieval Musical Instrument Hagia Sophia
Vikings/Viking Ship Medieval Tapestry/Clothing
Medieval Games Medieval Justice/Trial by Ordeal
Court Jesters Crafts ( candle making etc…)
Fashion for Men and Women Medieval Feasts/Banquets
Jousting/Tournaments Joan of Arc
Black Death/Plague William the Conqueror/Norman Invasion
Medieval Calendar Battle of Hastings
Life in a Monastery Justinian/Justinian Code of Law
Feudal System King John I
Archery, Hunting, Falconry Christianity and Rome
Crusades Medieval Church
Guilds Charlemagne
Eleanor of Aquitaine Chivalry
People’s Crusade Children’s Crusade
Domesday Book Hundred Years War

With a partner, you may either create an 1 electronic presentation or write a 2 paper.

Scoring Guide:

1. Title (name of event/person/activity ALSO YOUR NAMES) 3pts
2. Who (describe major people/groups involved) 5pts
3. What (description of event/action/activity) 5pts
4. When (date or time period it took place/lasted until) 5pts
5. Where (global, regional & social location) 5pts
6. Why (purpose/significance of event/action/activity) 5pts
7. Impact/Change (immediate consequences & lasting changes b/c of the event/person/action/activity) 7pts
8. Total 35pts possible