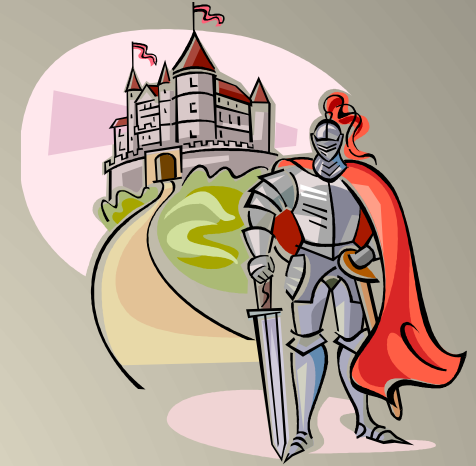


New Topic

Medieval Realms



The Middle Ages

Lesson Objective

To understand what life was like in the Middle Ages

Timeline

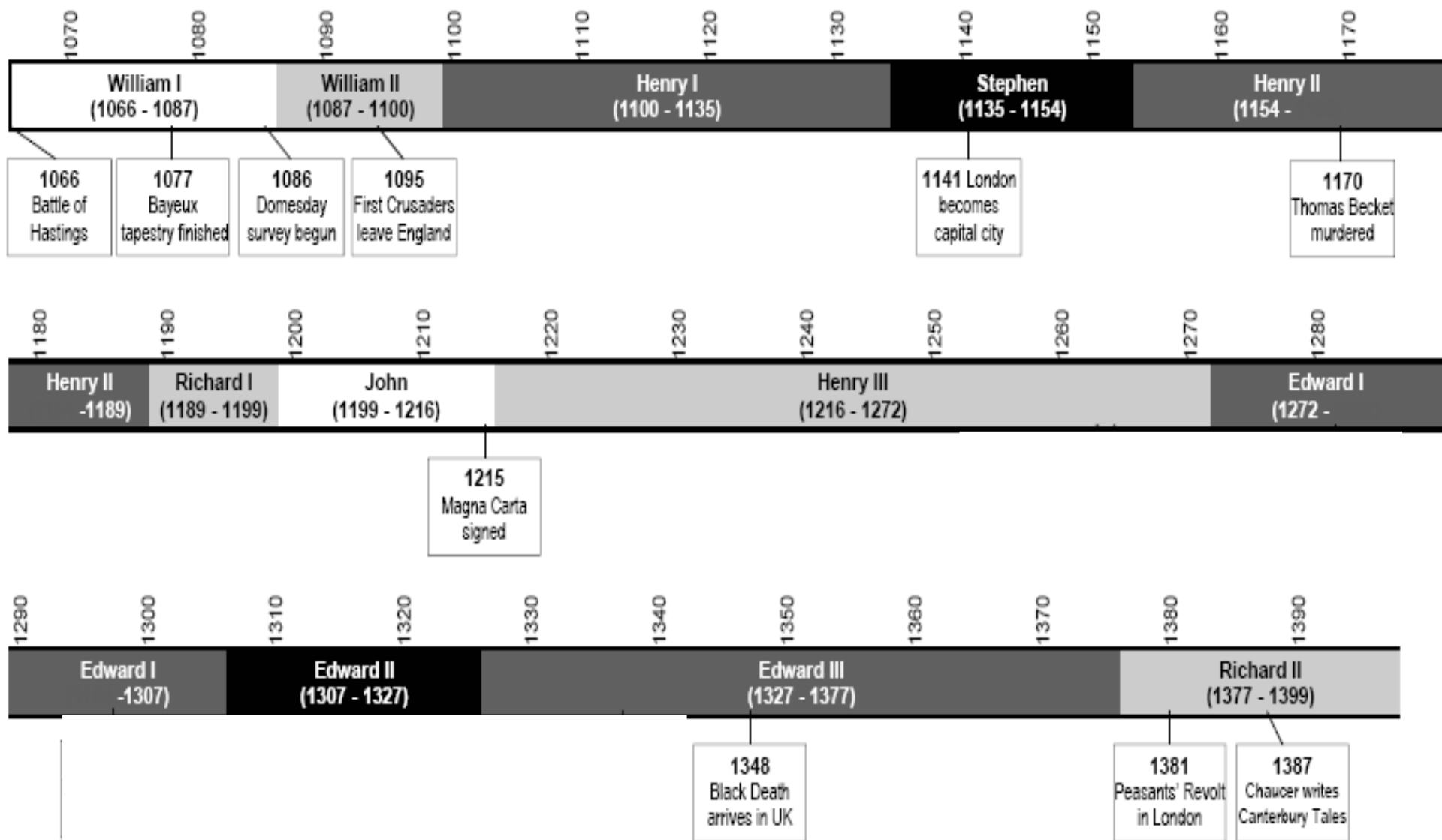
- *The Romans (600 BC - 410 AD)*
- *The Dark Ages - Anglo-Saxon England (410 AD - 1066 AD)*

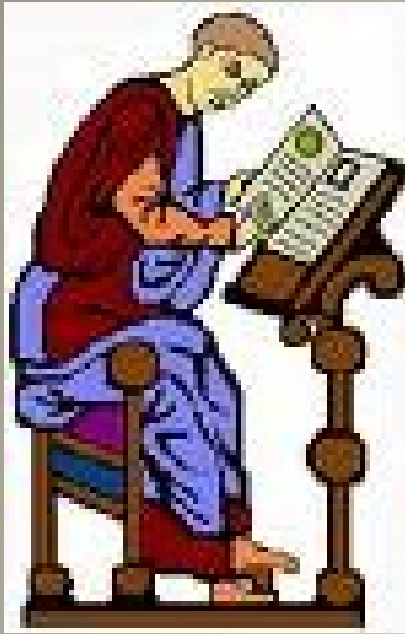
The Middle Ages – (1066 – 1485)

Copy down the timeline

What is the Middle ages?

- *The Middle Ages are the middle period between the decline of the Roman Empire and a period known as the Renaissance (1485).*
- *The next one thousand years were called the Middle Ages. The Latin term for Middle Ages is "medieval."*





You have been hired as researchers by a film director who wants to make an adventure film set in the Middle Ages. She wants to show the reality of life in the medieval town and country. Details must be really accurate - she has been accused by critics of being careless over period detail in her other films.

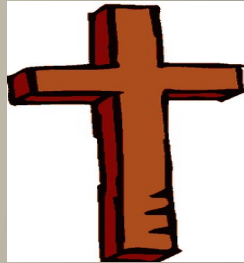
Produce a brief report providing background information about the Middle Ages

Include details, e.g. the types of people, the work or other activities they might be doing, the clothes they might be wearing, and details on what the buildings were like, what they do in their spare time.



What was life like during the Middle ages?

- Life in Europe during the Middle Ages was very hard.
- Some people were **educated** to a very high level, but many were unable to read or write.
- People were very **religious**, Christianity was the most important influence of the Middle Ages
- The country was **organized** into areas run by earls.
- People **knew** about disease, but not how disease was spread or cured.



I must make sure I harvest enough for my family as well as for my Lord and the Church.

Ploughing



A Typical Village Scene

Peasant clothing



Houses are made of wood, mud and straw



Sowing



Water Mill



Weeding



A Typical Town Street

Buildings are timber framed

rubbish thrown into the street

Pigs eating rubbish in the street



Upper storey overhang to maximise space

Buildings are closely packed - fire risk

Sewage in the middle of the street

rats

Shops in front room

Entertainment



Jousting



Watching Punishments



Sword Fights



Board Games



Plays



Dancing



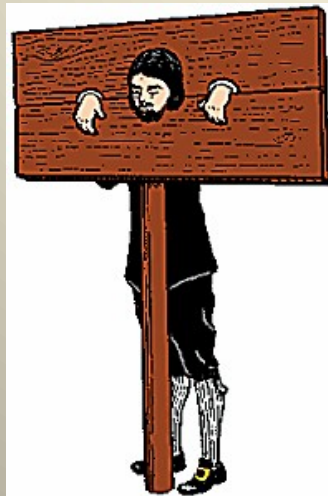
Ball Games

Black bread
Beer
Eggs
Cheese v
Beans
Corn
Soup
Stew
Pottage
Bacon
Cabbage
Cider
Dogs



Medieval Food

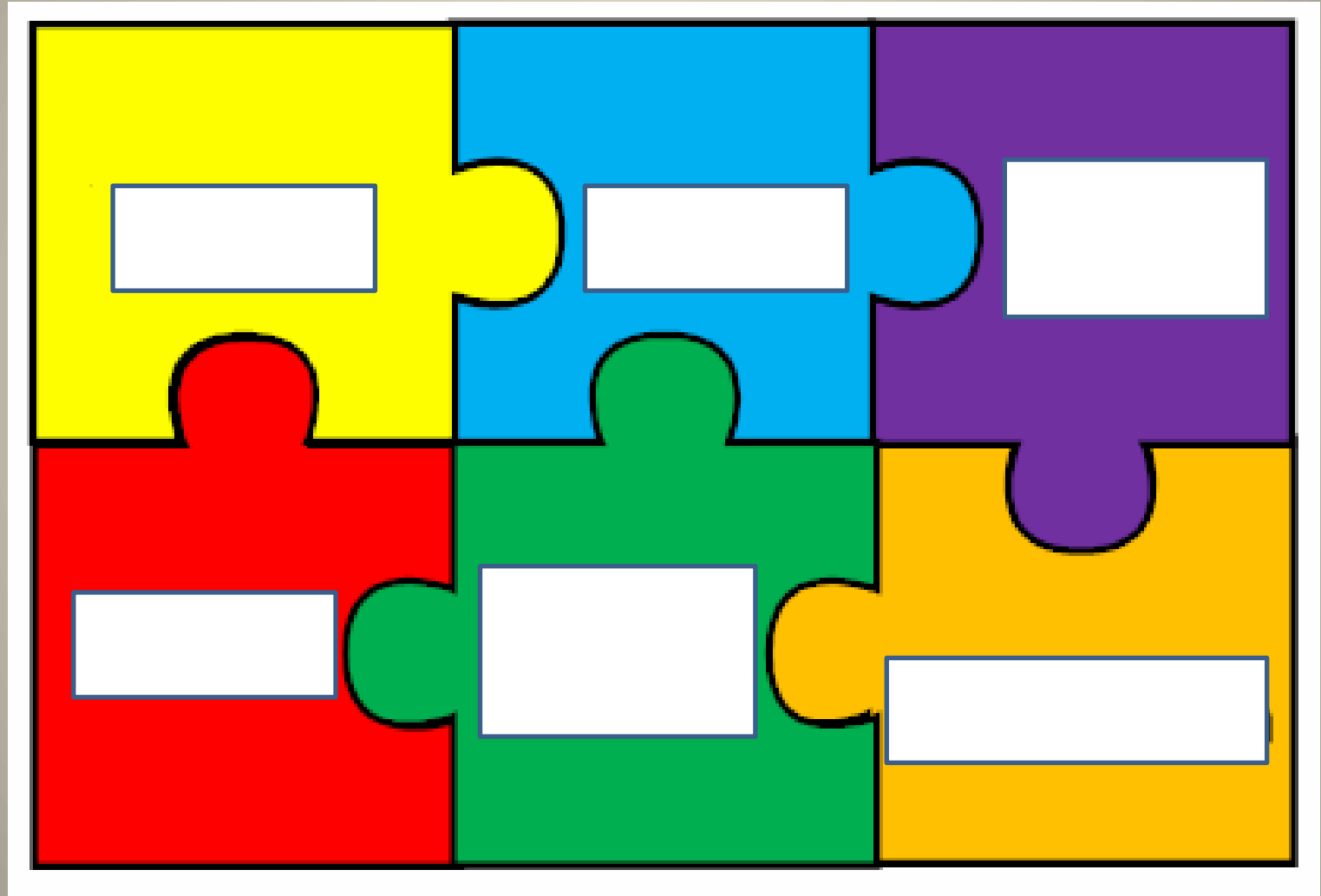
- *A butcher was punished like this for selling rotten meat.*
- *Large towns had takeaway food selling hot sheep's feet and little birds!*
- *No one could eat meat on a Friday*
- *Some bakers cheated adding sand or cobwebs to bread!*



Walk About – Talk About

- *In your pair design a poster containing all the information on the sheet using as many pictures, numbers and symbols as you want **BUT** only 5 written words!*
- *Your information sheet will then be taken off you.*
- *You will then present your jigsaw to the class.*

What was life like in Britain in the Middle Ages?



What was life like in Britain in the Middle Ages?

- *Use your jigsaw notes to help you to answer this question.*
- *You need to mention all 6 parts of the jigsaw, and you should write about one page in your exercise books.*

Copy and Complete:

*The benefits of the
Middle Ages would
have been.....*

*The negative parts of
the Middle Ages would
have been.....*

Task:

You are a journalist during the Middle Ages and want to find out how the people felt about these huge changes and how they affected their lives.

Write at least 10 questions to ask somebody about life in the Middle Ages?



The Black Death

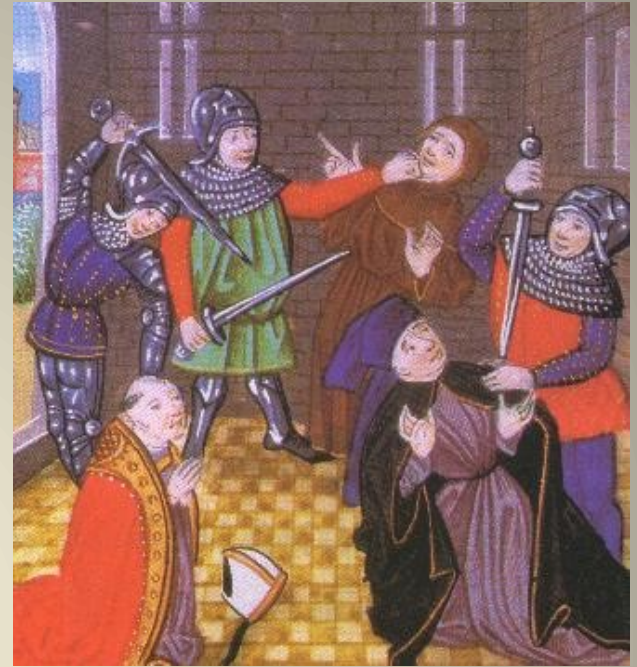


- 25 million people died in just under five years between 1347 and 1352.



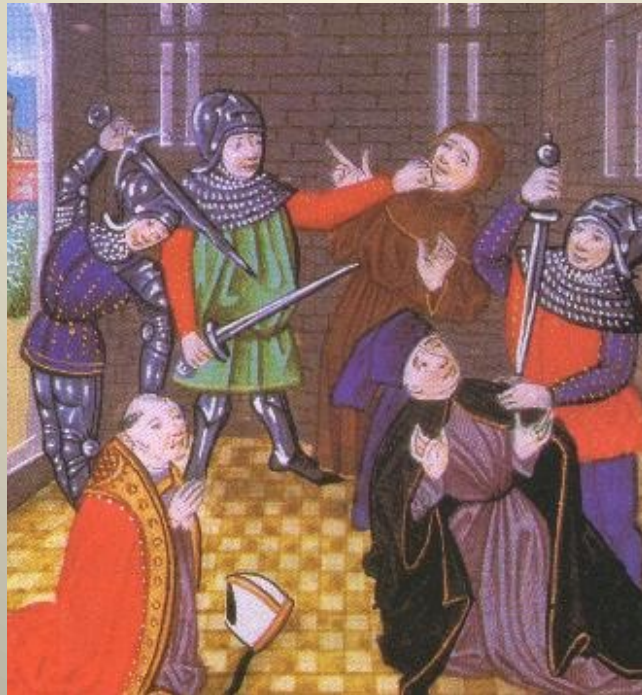
The Peasants Revolt

The peasants did not like being slaves and paying such high taxes. They decided to go and talk to the King to ask him to make things fairer. All leaders of the revolt were hanged.



Things to think about

- What was life like in the Middle Ages?
 - Would you have like to have lived in the Middle Ages?



Plenary

- *Write down 5 things you have learnt about the life in the Middle ages*

