

Unit 4.2 Vocab. Medieval Times (Middle Ages)

Medieval Europe, Crusades, Dark Ages

Lord-in feudal Europe, a person who controlled the land and could therefore grant estates to vassals

Vassal-in feudal Europe, a person who received a grant of land from a lord in exchange for a pledge of loyalty and services

Knight-in medieval Europe, an armored warrior who fought on horseback

Serf-a medieval peasant legally bound to live on a lord's estate

Manor-a lord's estate in feudal Europe

Bubonic Plague-a deadly disease that spread across Asia and Europe in the mid-14th century, killing millions of people

Crusades- (1000s-1300s) series of holy wars between the Christians and Muslims to regain the holy land (Palestine: Jerusalem)

Fief-an estate granted to a vassal by a lord under the feudal system in medieval Europe

Chivalry-a code of behavior for knights in medieval Europe, stressing ideals such as courage & loyalty

Medieval Asia

Feudalism-a political system in which nobles are granted the use of lands that belong to their king, in exchange for their loyalty, military service, and protection of the people who live on the land

Samurai-one of the professional warriors who served Japanese feudal lords

Shogun-in feudal Japan, a supreme military commander who ruled in the name of the emperor

Daimyo-a Japanese feudal lord who commanded a private army of samurai

Bushido-the strict code of behavior followed by samurai warriors in Japan

Calligraphy-the art of beautiful handwriting