

# MEDIEVAL | CANTERBURY TALES NEWSLETTER

(using Word)

*Join us as we step back in time to the days of imposing castles high on the bluff, knights in armor defending the kingdom, and noblemen ruling over the serfs. This was life in the Middle Ages.*


*As you write your newsletter, remember your audience wants to read all about the various aspects of life during these exciting times!*

## REQUIREMENTS:


### *Content of Research*

- All material is thoroughly proofread and without careless errors*
- Information is pertinent to directions, thorough, and scholarly*


# Technical Content

 The newsletter includes three (3) columns with vertical line between each column

 Title should be no larger than 20 point


 Subtitles should be no larger than 14 point

 Text should be no larger than 12 point

 Place the Volume number and Issue number at top right corner below page border

(i.e. Volume 6, Issue 15)

 All column text is justified

 A variety of font styles and colors that appeal to the reader

 Three pictures correlated to the Canterbury Tales

 All content must be written in paragraph form

 Page Border must be used



*Drop cap at beginning of each new topic*



*Total Word Count must be at least 400*



*Professional look with an overall Middle Ages' theme*

## *Content for Newsletter*

*CHOOSE THREE (3) FROM THE FOLLOWING  
LIST OF TOPICS:*

- Norman Conquest*
- Bubonic Plague*
- Feudal System*
- Chivalry*
- Medieval Monks  
/ Nuns*
- Women of the  
Middle Ages*
- Castles /  
Cathedrals*
- Knights and  
Their Armor*
- Geoffrey Chaucer*


# THE STORY SHOULD TELL THEMSELVES

## (3) TYPES:


*News Stories, Feature Stories, and Opinion Letters*


## THE STORY SHOULD:

 *Reflect an understanding of the topic*

 *Have "journalistic" words and phrases to make the stories more like news reports*

 *Have quotations to give the story(ies) a personal feeling*

 *Give the reader something to remember*

 *Be creative and have some fun!!*

### Medieval/Canterbury Tales Newsletter Rubric

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Followed given directions	0	1	2

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#### Font:

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-Text justified (except headings)	0	2	
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3 pictures (appropriate for column)	0	1	2	3
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Paragraph form	0	1	2
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Professional Look/Middle Ages theme	0	1	2	3
<b>Content for Newsletter:</b>				
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-First	0	2	4	6
-Second	0	2	4	6
-Third	0	2	4	6
<b>Conventions/Mechanics:</b>	0	1	2	3
<b>TOTAL POINTS _____ out of 60</b>				

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