

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will have a better understanding of the Middle Ages and its impact on history.

Materials and Prep

- Pen and paper
- Access to a computer or library for research

Activities

1. Research and Create a Timeline

Use your resources to research key events and developments during the Middle Ages. Create a timeline highlighting at least 10 significant events. Include brief descriptions and illustrations for each event.

2. Design a Coat of Arms

Learn about the importance of heraldry during the Middle Ages. Design your own coat of arms, incorporating symbols and colors that represent your personality and values.

3. Write a Medieval Diary Entry

Imagine you are a person living during the Middle Ages. Write a diary entry describing a typical day in your life. Include details about your daily activities, social class, and any challenges you may face.

Sixth Grade Talking Points

- "The Middle Ages, also known as the Medieval period, spanned from the 5th to the 15th century."
- "During this time, Europe experienced significant political, social, and economic changes."
- "Feudalism was a dominant social system, where kings, lords, knights, and peasants played different roles."
- "The Catholic Church had a strong influence on people's lives, and religion played a central role in society."
- "The Crusades were a series of military campaigns launched by Christians to reclaim the Holy Land from Muslim control."
- "The Black Death, a devastating pandemic, swept through Europe during the 14th century, causing widespread death and social upheaval."
- "The invention of the printing press by Johannes Gutenberg revolutionized the spread of knowledge and ideas."
- "The Middle Ages laid the foundation for the Renaissance, a period of great cultural and intellectual growth."