



The Age of Chivalry

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Determining Main Ideas The following questions deal with the age of chivalry. Answer them in the space provided.

1. How did feudal lords in Western Europe in the 11th century defend their territories?

2. How were the lives of a noblewoman and a peasant woman in the Middle Ages different?

3. How did invading armies go about attacking a castle?

4. How did some of the troubadours' songs promote a false image of knights and noblewomen?

Reading Comprehension Find the name or term in the second column that best matches the description in the first column. Then write the letter of your answer in the blank.

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| a. tournaments | 5. mock battles in which knights participated to gain experience |
| b. Tortoise | 6. a code of ideals that required that knights were loyal, and fight bravely in defense of three masters: his feudal lord, his heavenly Lord, and his chosen lady |
| c. troubadours | 7. a structure that rolled on wheels and shielded soldiers from arrows above |
| d. chivalry | 8. traveling poet-musicians who performed short verses and songs about romantic love in the castles and courts of Europe |