Feudal Society/ Political Structure Notes

**Relationship Between Lords and Vassals**

-The relationship between \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made up a big part of the political and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ structure of the feudal system

-Vassals had certain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to perform for the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

-All nobles were ultimately vassals of the king.

**Serfs and Village Life**

**Workers on the Manor**

-There were two groups of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ workers on the manor

-**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**: skilled workers who paid rent and could leave the manor whenever they wished. (They usually had a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ needed by others on the manor.)

-**Serfs** :workers bound to the land by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with the nobles. (They had no \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - they where the noble’s property.)

**CONSTRUCTING THE PYRAMID OR POWER**

**Feudal Contract**

**What is a Knight?**

-Almost all nobles were knights

-Training began at age 7 (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_), then 14 (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_), finally at 21 (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

-Knights were expected to display \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in battle and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to their lord.

-1100’s 🡪 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a complex set of ideals

-Demanded that a knight fight bravely for his three masters; (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lord, (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lord, (3) his chosen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

-Also protect the weak and the poor

**Manorial System**

-an agricultural estate operated by a lord

-Typically consisted of lord’s manor house, a church, and workshops

-Fields, pastures, and forests surrounded the village

-Extremely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and peasants raised or produced nearly everything that they and their lord needed for daily life

-Only outside purchases were salt, iron, and a few unusual objects