

History (Medieval/Early Modern) A Level

TASKS:

1) Read and take notes from the article **The Medieval World Daily Life** by Anita Baker. Use the sub-headings in the reading to help your note-taking.

2) Use reading **Mayer Chapter 1** below to help you.

- 1) How did the Crusades change the Medieval view of the world? (page 1)
- 2) What divisions were there between the pope and the SECULAR (i.e. political) rulers such as Henry IV?
- 3) What problems and weaknesses were there for European monarchs in the build up to the Crusades? (p2)
- 4) What was the Great Schism of 1054 and what was its significance? (p23)
- 5) What was the nature of the threat to the BYZANTIUM Empire from the Normans and Muslims?
- 6) Explain the origins and nature (in brief!) of the division in Islam between Sunni and Shia, and how this and further divisions benefitted the Crusaders. (p.45)
- 7) What was the significance of the arrival of the SELJUK Turks into the region?
- 8) What was the attitude of the Seljuks towards Christians in the lands they conquered?
- 9) What was the significance of the death of Seljuk leader MALIK SHAH in 1092?
- 10) What was the significance of Pope Urban II (Pope from 1088-1099) and his likely motives in calling the First Crusade?

3) Read and make basic notes on the first three chapters of Purser. This takes you up to the launch of the First Crusade in 1095 and what happened when the first waves of Crusaders reached Byzantium. Use the bold and sub-headings in the reading to guide your notes, and copy the timelines as well.