**Bid for Manor Construction Project**

**FORMAL 132 points due Tuesday 5/10**

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TASK: Imagine that you own a construction company in medieval France. A French lord has just put out a request for a new manor to be built. The manor will be the center of a self-sufficient community. You will first design a diagram that shows the layout of the manor. Then, you will write a construction proposal that outlines a specific plan for building the manor, including the techniques, materials, and labor required to complete the proposed project.

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Questions pertaining to the DESIGN

1. What rooms/buildings/areas are typically included in a manor? How is the surrounding property structured?

2. Who/where provided most of the labor on a typical manor?

3. What were the factors that went into deciding the best location for a manor?

4. What was the role of serfs in feudal society? What was the role of knights? What places did they occupy on the manor?

5. What were some improvements or innovations that were made over time to the design of medieval manors?

Questions pertaining to the CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL

1. What materials were used to build these structures?

2. What were the major construction challenges that the medieval Europeans faced?

3. How did medieval Europeans solve those problems given the technologies available to them?

STEP 2: Using the information you have gathered in step 1, design the layout of your manor by **drawing and labeling the following on blank computer paper**; use color and creativity. (60 total-break down below+color+)

1. Location- show/label the geography and surrounding natural environment (10)

2. Layout-show/label the property surrounding the castle, other buildings- you MUST show/label the castle and at least 2 other buildings (4 each=12)

3. Social Groups- show/label where each of the major social groups lives and works (lord, knights, merchants, peasants)- this is in addition to the castle and 2 buildings in #2 (4 each= 32)

STEP 3: Using the information you have gathered in step 1 (questions pertaining to construction proposal), **write a persuasive plan on notebook paper** to encourage the lord to choose your construction company that outlines the technology, materials, and labor (people used) involved in building the manor. Make sure you address the following in a **15-20 sentence mini-essay**: (some of this will be inference) (6 each+structure= 40)

1. What are the biggest challenges facing castle construction? How will your company overcome them?

2. What sort of technologies can be used as part of castle construction?

3. What materials should be used, and for which buildings? Why?

4. How can the labor force be utilized in the most effective manner during construction of the buildings?

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