

Group Historical Context Projects

You will be split up into groups of 2-3. Each Group will be responsible for giving a 10-15 minute in-class presentation on **one** of the following topics:

9/8	John Gower	Danielle L. Larry C.
9/10	Reign and Deposition of Richard II	
9/17	English Guilds in 14 th Century	Ann D. Caity K. Corey P.
	Crusades in 14 th Century	
9/22	Hundred Year's War	Roxi L. Brittany B. Amanda A.
9/29	Peasants Revolt of 1381	Whitney F. Shaun M.
10/6	Wycliffe and Lollardy	Liam F. James T.
10/15	Jews and Muslims in Medieval England	Matt A. Stephanie C. Kristen S.
10/27	Marriage Law and Custom	Kirsten T. Adam S.
10/29	Statute of Laborers	
11/10	Margery Kempe	Dana W. Emily L. Jessica H.
11/19	Black Death	Kirsten H. Phil C.

Your presentation should include

1. Presentation

Presentation of information on your topic. And overview of the topic. Think of this as the “teaching” part of your presentation where you teach your colleagues what you learned about the topic

2. Discussion

Lead a discussion of how your topic relates to Chaucer in general and to what we are reading that day specifically. Do not merely read from a handout; get your fellow students involved with figuring out how the topic helps us understand Chaucer's works.

3. Handout

Prepare a 1-page handout for your class members with relevant details and an annotated bibliography of useful *scholarly print and web* sources. You'll need 22 copies of that handout.

4. Brief Paper

A 2-3 page "paper" (essay format, outline format, whatever you like) for me detailing what you'll cover in #1 and #2.

Your Brief Paper (#4) and your Handout (#3) must be emailed to me at least 24 hours prior to your class presentation so that I can post to the web site.