

History (Medieval/Early Modern) A Level

TASKS:

1) Read and take 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** "The Mediterranean region in 1095" to take notes. Use the questions below to help you.

- 1) How did the Crusades change the Medieval view of the world? (page1)
- 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? (p2-3)
- 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.4-5)
- 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.