**Close Read: The Crusades ( Chapter 14 Section 1 pg 404-407)**

*Before you begin answering the questions on your sheet of notebook paper, each member of the group needs to introduce themselves so that you know each other’s names!*

**Launching the Crusades**

1. Number each paragraph in this section. (there should be 4)
2. Read the 1st paragraph.
3. Who launched the Crusades and what was the goal of each one? Write this on your paper.
4. Underline the name of the city that the Christians wanted to take from the Muslims.
5. Why was this city and land so important to Christians? Write this on your paper.
6. Pretend you were alive in the Medieval Period and the Pope asked you what should be done about the Holy Land. What would your advice be to him? Would you advise him to launch the Crusades or go about in another way? Write this answer on your paper.
7. Everyone in the group needs to share their response to #6. Once everyone has shared you may move on.
8. Read the 2nd and 3rd paragraphs. Why would the loss of Constantinople be such a big deal to the Christians? (think about geography and trade) Write this on your paper.
9. Read the 4th paragraph. What was the outcome of the Council of Clermont?
10. The slogan of the Crusaders was “God wills it!” Create a slogan that the Muslims would have said in response. Write this on your paper. Once everyone has shared with the group, raise your hand and I will come around to hear each of your slogans. Your group may **not** move to the next section until I have heard from you!

**Map**

1. Using the map, what would have made it difficult for the Christians to maintain control over the Holy Land? Write this on your paper.
2. Looking at the picture of the castle above the map, discuss 2 strategies with your group for how you would go about taking over a castle like this from your enemy? Once you have your 2 strategies, raise your hand and I will come over to hear them. Your group may **not** move to the next section until I have heard from you!

**Fighting the Crusades**

1. Underline the title of each subsection within this section.(there should be 4)
2. Read the 1st paragraph and circle the number of Crusades that occurred.
3. Read the 1st subsection. Annotate this section underlining or highlighting the various obstacles/problems that the first crusaders encountered along the way.
4. Read the quote from Raymond d’Aguilers. Why is this description of the first crusade ironic considering the 10 Commandments? Write this on your paper and discuss with your group before moving on.
5. What was the effect of the first crusade? Write this on your paper.
6. Read the 2nd subsection. Create a hashtag as a group to summarize the second crusade. Raise your hand when you have this and I will come check on your group’s hashtag. Do **not** move on until you have shared your group’s hashtag with me!
7. Read the 3rd subsection. Why was Saladin bad news for the Christians? Write this on your paper.
8. Why do you think the relationship between Saladin and Richard the Lion-Hearted is still talked about today? Write this on your paper and share with your group.
9. Read the 4th subsection. Summarize the 4th-9th Crusades and explain why they were a failure for the Christians.
10. As a group, create an emoji for each of the subsections (1st Crusade, 2nd Crusade, 3rd Crusade, 4th and Later Crusades) from the viewpoint of the Pope. Draw these on your paper. Once you have your 4 emojis, raise your hand and share it with me. Your group may **not** move to the next section until I have heard from you!

**Effects of the Crusades**

1. Read this entire section and underline any changes that the Crusades brought to Europe.
2. How did the Crusades affect European trade? Write this on your paper.
3. Discuss with your group why this was so important for Medieval Europe.
4. How are the Crusades an example of cultural diffusion?

**Reading Like a Historian (Extra Credit!)**

1. Read the document by Raymond d’Aguilers.
2. Circle his occupation.
3. Do you think this would influence his point of view on the Crusades? How?
4. How is his use of the term “unbelievers” to describe Muslims and example of bias?
5. Why do you think he is so graphic when describing how the Christians are defeating the Muslims? What does he hope to convey with these details? Write this on your paper and discuss with your group. To get the extra credit, you must raise your hand as a group and share your answer with me.