

Feudal Society: Overview



Complete each table with the feudal social class's job, land ownership, and obligations.

The Monarch	Job: The monarch was the ruler of an entire kingdom.
	Land ownership: The monarch owned an entire kingdom of land.
	Obligations: The monarch was obligated to share land with lords.
Lords	Job: Lords were rulers of large parts of a kingdom.
	Land ownership and source of land: Lords owned large areas of land within a kingdom. This land was given to them by the monarch.
	Obligations: Lords were obligated to show loyalty to the monarch and to provide them with military support.
Knights	Job: Knights were professional soldiers and local rulers.
	Land ownership and source of land: Knights owned small areas of land within a fief. This land was given to them by a lord.
	Obligations: Knights were obligated to fight for their lord and provide protection to people living on their land.
Peasants	Job: Peasants were mainly farmers who grew food for all social classes.
	Land ownership and source of land: Peasants did not usually own any land. They rented the land they farmed from the upper classes.
	Obligations: Peasants were obligated to farm and perform other physical labor for the upper classes. Peasants also had to pay taxes to the upper classes and provide them with food.