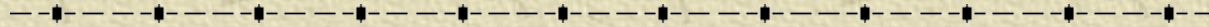
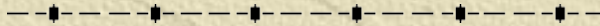


Feudalism



Medieval Europe

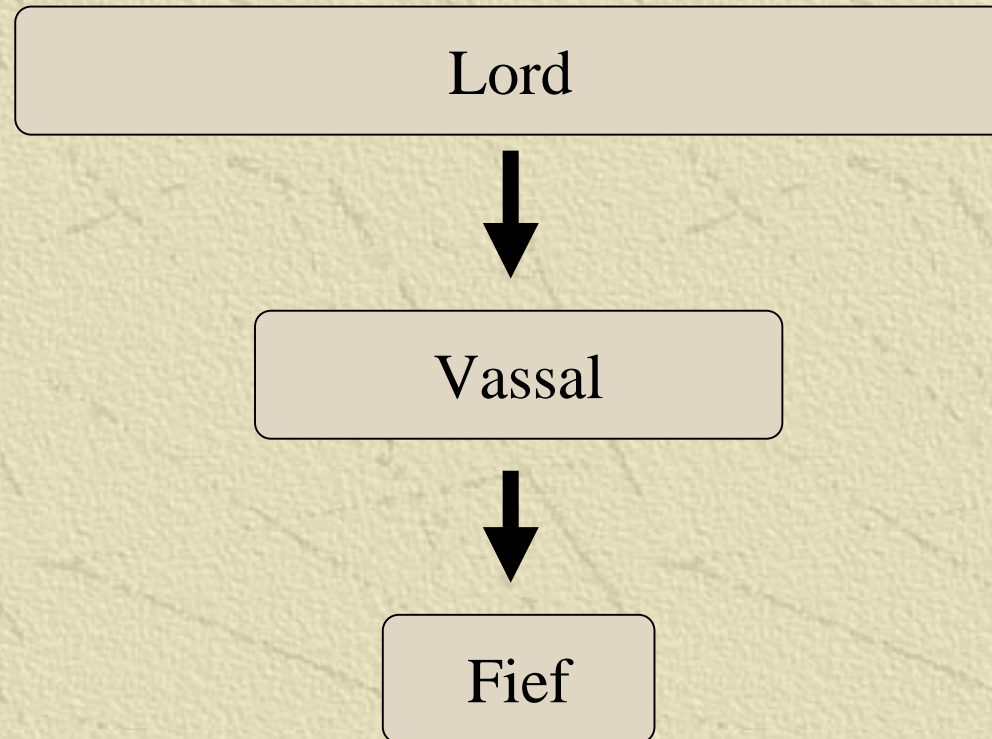
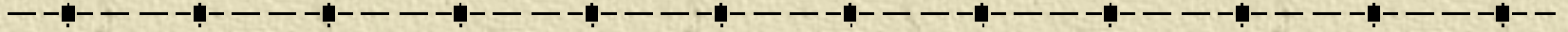


What was it?

✦ “...a Medieval European political "system" comprising a set of reciprocal legal and military obligations among the warrior nobility, revolving around the three key concepts of lords, vassals, and fiefs. Although derived from the Latin word *feodum* (fief), then, in use, the term *feudalism* and a "system" it purports to describe was unknown to people living in the Medieval Period.”

([Wikipedia](#))

Who was in it?



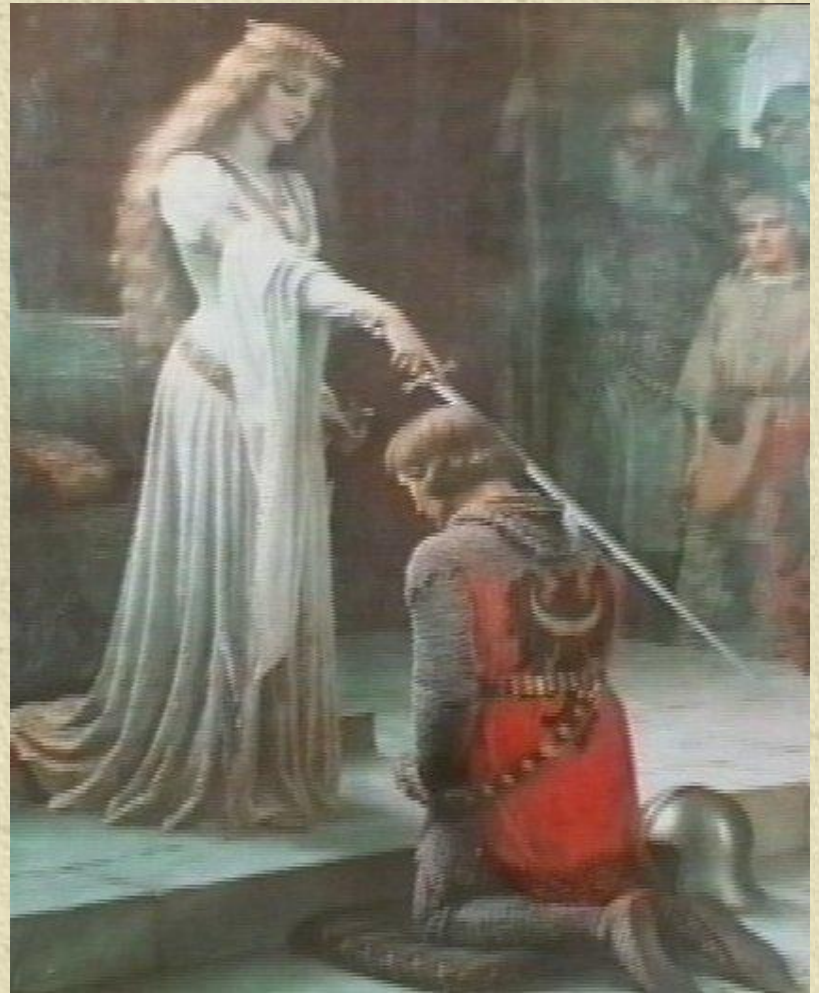
Lord

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- ✦ "keeper of the loaves".
 - ✦ Aristocrat
 - ✦ Owned land
 - ✦ Inherited title



Vassal

- ✦ Protected lord
- ✦ Fought lords battles
- ✦ Watched over manor
- ✦ Typically Knights



Fief

- ✦ Inherited land
- ✦ Worked for lord
- ✦ Swore allegiance to lord
- ✦ Anything in value could be taken by lord



What did a manor look like?



What did we learn?

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- ✦ Lords used vassals to oversee their land.
 - ✦ Vassals not only fought for the lords, but also in charge of fiefs.
 - ✦ Fiefs owned their land, but worked for their lord.
 - ✦ Feudalism was used in Medieval Europe.