



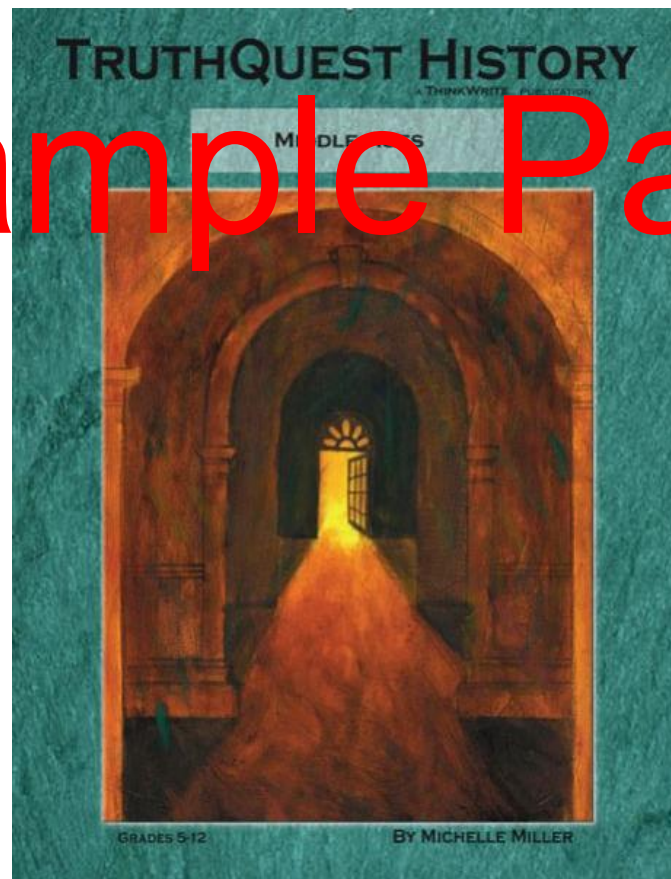
Grades 1-up

TruthQuest History™

Middle Ages

Binder-Builder

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Dear Fellow Learners,

I am very grateful to Nancy and Paula for creating this fun companion to *TruthQuest History: Middle Ages*. Many of you have long had such an item on your TQH wish list. Please enjoy fully!

But do also remember please that the Lord is the Master of our homeschools, not *TruthQuest History* nor these fun materials. He knows what best fits your children: their unique learning abilities, interests, and future missions! And He has called *you* to implement His will for your children, so you can walk in that confidence. You thus have full authority to tweak or omit any pages for your students' benefit. Our assurance is not in "doing it all," but in being His appointed servants.

Yes, the Lord loves the conscientious heart which characterizes parents. However, we must be certain this quality does not become a hindrance by having the children do overmuch just for the sake of our "love of completion" and "frugality."

So, please harness these great tools for your precious family. Enjoy the activities which promote your children's learning experience, and pass over those which better fit other families. How can you know? By keeping the overall learning goal first and foremost! And that is...to give your children an expanding love and deepening respect for our Creator God (the Great Initiator of history), and keeping the love of history alive in their hearts so they are life-long learners. With that "filter," you can confidently decide which elements of these terrific resources are truly beneficial for your unique family. Thankfully, they are all at your fingertips!

God bless your *Quest for Truth!*
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Materials Needed

What you need to get started

*A printed copy of the TruthQuest History –Binder-Builder™ by A Journey Through Learning

*A printed copy of TruthQuest History book (Middle Ages)

*38 pieces of 8.5 x 11 colored cardstock

*1 inch 3-ring binder with clear sleeve on the front

*Scissors

*Glue (We recommend Zip Dry Glue)

*Hole puncher

*Brads

*Stapler

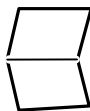
*Crayons and/or colored pencils

*4 tabs- Label your tabs:

Important Figures, Books I've Read, **Timeline**, **Notebooking****These two packages sold separately.

Terminology used throughout Binder-Builder™ Sample Page

Hamburger Fold- Fold horizontally



Hotdog Fold- Fold vertically



Folds- Sometimes labeled with a small line to show where the fold is.

Dotted Lines- These are the cutting lines.

Cover Labels- Some of the booklets will have a cover label that will need to be glued to the top to cover a blank space.

What is a Binder-Builder?

A Binder-Builder is a new name for an old concept! It is simply taking a 3-ring binder and colored cardstock and turning it into a wonderful showcase of your child's learning year!

How Do I Use it With TruthQuest History?

TruthQuest History Middle Ages guide is broken up into 58 units. By using the Binder-Builders along with this wonderful program, you will be able to bring and gather so much of what your child is learning and store it into one fun-packed binder! No more lost papers.

You will still follow TruthQuest History's relaxed, enjoyable learning style. This product is meant to be fun, NOT stressful. So use it to enhance your learning experience. Feel free to tailor the booklets to your child. Some days you can simply draw instead of write. Or find the information on the internet and glue it onto the booklet. The choice is YOURS!

Each unit has two or more fun booklets to complete. So, gather the kids on the couch, and let the learning begin!

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How Do I Set Up My Binder-Builder?

Gather your pieces of cardstock and 3-hole punch them. Next, in the lower right-hand corner number your cardstock from 1-38. Place in 3-ring binder. Add your 4 labeled tabs behind the cardstock. (If you are using Timeline Package and/or Notebooking Package, you will place them here.) You will store all of your worksheets behind these tabs.

The front of the first page will have your cover sheet glued to it. Then, your **first** "detail" sheet will be glued to the **back** of that page. The **booklets** for your **first** unit will then be glued to the **front** of your **second** page. This lay-out allows you to view anything for the unit you are studying at the same time! You will follow this process throughout the entire binder-builder.

Located at the top right corner of each page, you will find the unit topic and the pages where it can be found in your *TrustQuest History* book. Each page will also have all directions for the construction of the mini-booklet, pages to read, and what your student will record in the mini-booklet after reading to show what is learned. A small key is also here to show you where to glue each mini-booklet onto the card stock.

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23. Off to Germany!
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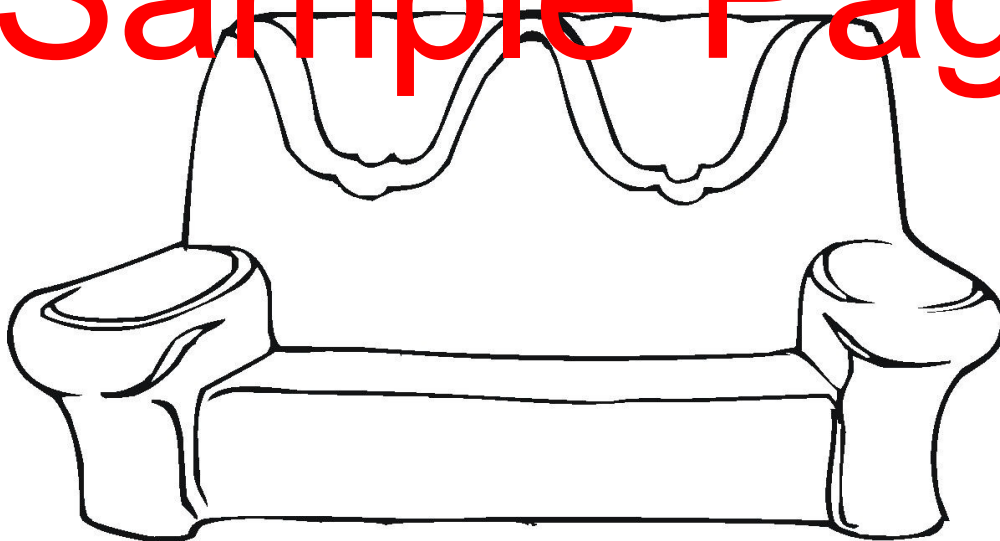
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Cover Sheet for TruthQuest History- Middle Ages. Cut out the cover sheet and glue to the first page of your Binder-Builder. Draw a picture of you and your family sitting together reading and learning about history!

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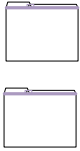


Cut out and glue to the back of page 1.

1. The Great Chessboard

ThinkWrite 1:
“Investigation Supreme!”

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Read section 1 in your TQH guide.

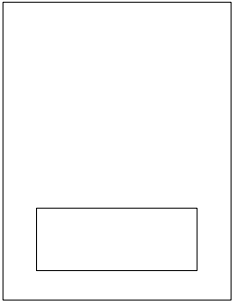
Cut out each as one piece. Hamburger fold in half with title on top. Glue to the front of page 2.

Directions: Define the word and answer the question.

Centralization

What were the
Dark Ages?

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Read section 1 in your TQH guide.

Cut out as one piece. Fold in half. Cut on dotted line to form two tabs. Glue onto the front of page 2.

Directions: Lift up tab and write about each belief.

Sample Page

Big

Belief

#1

Big

Belief

#2

Cut out and glue to the back of page 2.

**2. A Cast of Thousands:
The Barbarians Onstage**

**ThinkWrite 2:
"Shuffling the deck!"**

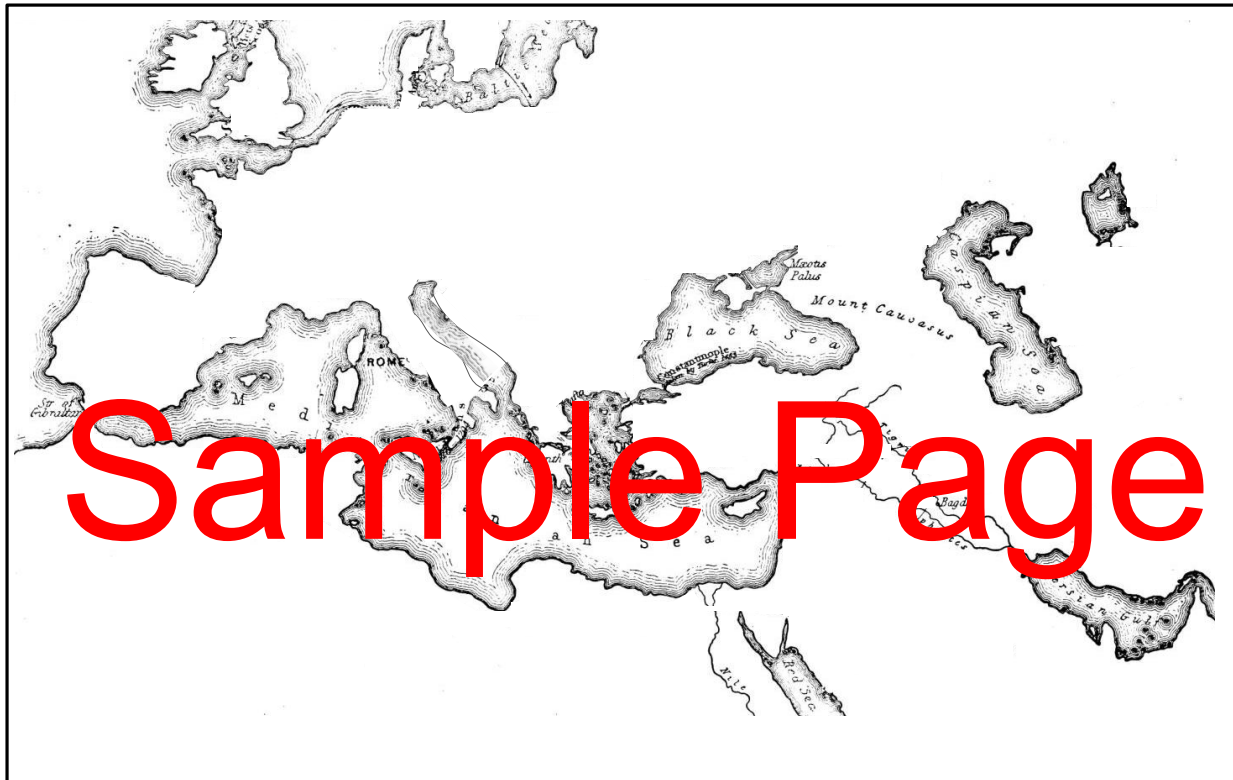
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2. A Cast of Thousands: The Barbarians Onstage

Read about the beginning of the Dark Ages and about Attila the Hun from the books of your choice.

Cut out the booklet. Glue onto the front of page 3.

Directions: Use the map to track the movement of the groups.



Track the movement of the different groups that you study.

You will use this map throughout the next few lessons.

- Celts—Red
- Teutons—Blue
- Britons—Yellow
- Picts—Orange
- Scots—Green
- Franks—Purple
- Vikings—Pink
- Saxons—Lime
- Huns—Brown

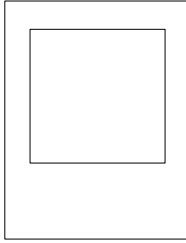
Cut out and glue to the back of page 3.

3. Heart of a Barbarian

**ThinkWrite 3:
“What’chya believe?”**

Sample Page

Page 4



Read about the life of the Barbarians from the books of your choice.

Cut out these two pieces and the two pieces from the next page. Stack in order of height (shortest to longest) with title on top. (Text on each piece should show at the bottom). Staple together at the top and glue onto the front of page 4.

Directions: Fill out the information on each page.

Barbarians



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Where does the word "Barbarian" come from? _____

Terms

Daily Life

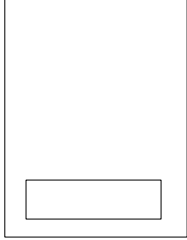
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Clothing

Bathing

Education

Fun and Games



Read the story of Beowulf from the books of your choice.

Cut out the booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Cut out the cover label. Glue to the front of the closed booklet. Glue onto the front of page 4.

Directions: Inside of the booklet, tell about the story.

Sample Page



Beowulf

Cut out and glue to the back of page 4.

4. The Angles and Saxons Come for a Visit

How did the word "England" come to be? _____

Why did the Britons invite the Saxons to their land? _____

Sample Page



4. The Angles and Saxons Come for a Visit

A

B

Read about the Saxons from the books of your choice.

Cut out each booklet as one piece. Fold in half. Glue onto the front of page 5.

Directions: On book "A," color the clothing of the Saxon man and woman. Inside of the booklet, either tell about the clothing or tell how it is different from the clothing you wear today. Inside of book "B," tell about the life of the Saxon people.

Booklet A

Booklet B

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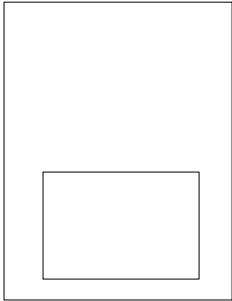
Clothing of the Saxon People



Life of the Saxon People

4.The Angles and Saxons Come for a Visit

Page 5



Read about the travel of the Saxons from the books of your choice.

Cut out the booklet. Glue onto the front of page 5.

Directions: Design your own Saxon ship!

