

# The NOBLE

## Viewing Guide

*Answer the following questions on a separate piece of paper as you watch the film. You do not need to write in complete sentences.*

1. Who were the nobles of the Middle Ages?
2. Describe how nobles obtained their wealth and status during the Middle Ages.
3. What were some of the medieval nobles' work responsibilities?
4. Describe some of the defenses of medieval castles.
5. What did it mean to put a castle under siege? What was the goal of a siege?
6. What were some of the signs of power that nobles displayed during this time?
7. How were medieval noble children educated?
8. Name some of the employment options that noble children had when they grew up.
9. Who were serfs, and what was their connection to medieval nobles?
10. What did medieval nobles do for entertainment?
11. Why were spices so important during this time?
12. What role did the tournament play in the life of the medieval noble?
13. What took place at the medieval king's court?
14. Describe the responsibilities of the noblewoman during the Middle Ages.
15. How did the growth of the merchant class alter life for medieval nobles?

*Critical Thinking Questions: After the film is complete, choose ONE of the following questions and answer in a short paragraph.*

- A. Compare the childhood of medieval noble children with children of today. Which group learns more? Has more fun? Is better prepared for the future? Be sure to justify your answers.
- B. Based on the information they have gained about life in a medieval castle, explain whether or not you would like to live in one. Generate a list of pros and cons about the quality of daily life in a castle.