The Black Death 1348 - OVERVIEW

Forms of the Plague/Black Death

- Bubonic Plague
- Pneumonic Plague
- Septicaemic Plague

Origins, Causes, Background, Situation and Exacerbating Factors

- Yersinia Pestis
- Trade Routes
- State of Medical Knowledge
- Living Conditions in Europe
- Misinformation spread by the Church

Origins in the East

Effects, Impacts and Consequences

- Short-Term Effects
- Long-Term Effects
- Death of 1/3 of the population of Europe
- Panic, fear, terror and prejudice led to a range of reactions
- Towns in chaos
- Reduced labour leads to gradual breakdown of bonded labour system (serfs as semi-slaves)
- Gradual weakening of the feudal system
- Questioning of long-held beliefs regarding medicine, the Church, etc.

Bibliography

- At least two books (including your text)
- At least two websites (see recommended sites on handout)
- For example, the Brotherhood of the Flagellants
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- Misinformation spread by the Church

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