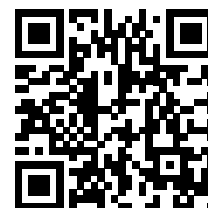


name: \_\_\_\_\_

class: \_\_\_\_\_

date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Norman Culture and England



In 1066, the Normans from Normandy in France, led by \_\_\_\_\_ the Conqueror, invaded England. This event, known as the \_\_\_\_\_ Conquest, significantly changed the country's course. Before their arrival, England was under \_\_\_\_\_ rule, which had its own distinct culture and language. However, the Normans brought with them a new set of \_\_\_\_\_, a different language, and architectural \_\_\_\_\_ that were advanced for that era.

The most noticeable change was in the \_\_\_\_\_. The Normans built impressive castles throughout England, such as the famous Tower of \_\_\_\_\_. These structures were not only military fortifications but also symbols of \_\_\_\_\_ power and authority. They introduced the Romanesque style, which is evident in many \_\_\_\_\_ and churches built during this period.

Another significant impact was on the English \_\_\_\_\_. Initially, the Normans spoke a dialect of Old French, which greatly influenced the development of Middle \_\_\_\_\_. Many French words were adopted into the English vocabulary, especially in areas like law, \_\_\_\_\_, and the arts. This fusion of languages eventually led to the richly diverse English language we know today.

The Norman Conquest also led to changes in \_\_\_\_\_. William introduced the feudal system to England, a hierarchical system that organized the society based on land ownership. This system was already in place in \_\_\_\_\_ and other parts of Europe. It reshaped England's social and economic structure, creating a powerful \_\_\_\_\_ and a dependent peasantry.

Lastly, the Normans influenced English \_\_\_\_\_ habits. They introduced new foods and cooking techniques, some of which have become staples of the English \_\_\_\_\_. The impact of Norman culture is still evident in modern England, from its \_\_\_\_\_ and language to its legal system and cuisine.

English Normandy castles Anglo-Saxon architecture language diet  
administration cathedrals nobility Norman London governance culinary  
Norman William styles laws