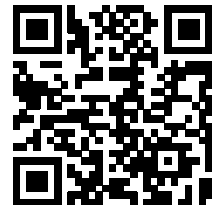


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Roles of Medieval Women



In medieval England, women had diverse _____, heavily influenced by social status and wealth. In the countryside, most women worked alongside their _____ on farms. They were responsible for managing household duties and often participated in agricultural _____ like milking cows and collecting eggs. Women in towns might run their own _____, such as bakeries, breweries, or markets stalls. Some became known as skilled _____ in fields typically dominated by men.

The life of a noblewoman was very different from that of a peasant. Noblewomen could own _____ and manage estates if their husbands were away or deceased. They played significant roles in arranging _____ to strengthen alliances and increase family wealth. Education was more accessible to women of high _____, allowing them to learn to read and sometimes write.

Religious life was another crucial _____ for many medieval women. Some chose to join convents where they received an education and could escape the _____ of marriage or widowhood. In these religious communities, women contributed by writing _____, teaching, and engaging in intricate crafts like embroidery.

Despite their contributions, _____'s rights were limited. They could not vote and were often subject to the authority of male _____. Nevertheless, they found ways to influence their communities and secure some _____ through the roles society allowed them.

Throughout the medieval _____, the roles of women reflected the complexities of their _____. Their lives were not just confined to domestic spheres but also extended into economic and social _____, showing resilience and adaptability in a male-dominated world.

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