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Social Customs of the Stuart Era



In the _____ period, England saw significant changes not only in politics but also in social customs. During this time, clothing became an important indicator of one's _____ status. The wealthy adorned themselves in extravagant fabrics like silk and satin, while the poor wore simpler, more durable materials. _____

and banquets were common among the affluent, showcasing a variety of exotic foods and intricate dishes. Conversely, the common folk's diet was much more modest, consisting largely of bread, cheese, and _____.

Education also took on a new _____ during the Stuart era. For the _____, it was a time of enlightenment, with private tutors teaching the classics, languages, and sciences. The poor, however, had very limited access to education, often learning only basic literacy if at all. Religion played a central role in everyone's lives, with _____ attendance being compulsory. The period was marked by religious _____, particularly between Catholics and Protestants, which often spilled over into politics.

Entertainment varied widely between the classes. The _____ became extremely popular, with plays by writers like Shakespeare continuing to draw large audiences. Meanwhile, the lower classes found joy in simpler pleasures such as fairs, bear-baiting, and _____ dancing. Despite the clear class divisions, certain holidays and _____ brought all levels of society together, highlighting a sense of community despite economic _____.

In terms of family life, marriages were often arranged among the upper class to secure wealth and _____. Love was seen as a secondary concern. For the lower classes, marriages were more likely to be based on mutual affection, although economic considerations still played a _____. Children of the Stuart period, regardless of class, were seen and not heard, expected to adhere strictly to the social norms and customs of the time.

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