Materials at Lake Hiawatha Library

Here is a sampling of books and DVDs on this topic, owned by Lake Hiawatha Library.

Archers, Alchemists, and 98 Other Medieval Jobs You Might Have Loved or Loathed (2003) by Priscilla Galloway, J940.1 GAL
A look at the diverse careers available during the medieval era.

Knights in Shining Armor (1995), by Gail Gibbons, EJ 940.1 GIB
A great overview for beginning researchers, this book presents a look at knighthood, the feudal system, castle configuration, weapons, armor, chivalry, and tournaments, as well as the process for becoming a knight.

Life in the Middle Ages. The Noble (2009), DVD J 940.1 LIF
Learn about the lives of children born into noble families, tournaments the nobility attended, and more. Also, check out additional DVDs in this series.

Look Inside a Castle (2010), by Jenny Moss, EJ 940.1 MOS
Learn about the construction and history of castles through simple text, color photographs and drawings. Also included are a glossary and suggestions for further reading.

What was it like to wear armor? What was the food like in castles? This book explores what life was really like in medieval times.

Medieval Life (2011), by Andrew Langley, J940 LAN
An illustrated look at various aspects of life in medieval Europe, covering everyday life, religion, royalty, and more.

Ms. Frizzle’s Adventures: Medieval Castle (2002), by Joanna Cole, J940.1 COL
Ms. Frizzle and her student Arnold find themselves in the middle of a siege of a 12th-century English castle.

Search the Shelves
Browse the nonfiction shelves for books with the following call numbers:
J940.1 Books on MIDDLE AGES

Search the Online Catalog at parsippanylibrary.org and click on Catalog.
Then type in any one of these terms (or any term you choose) in the search box:
Castles
Knights
Medieval
Middle Ages
Limit your results by clicking on choices in the NARROW YOUR SEARCH frame on the left hand side of the screen.
Limit by LIBRARY, AGE LEVEL, FICTION OR NONFICTION, etc.

Think Outside the Branch
Don’t forget...you have access to books at all Parsippany Libraries, as well as in the M.A.I.N. (Morris County) library system. If you want a book we don’t have, ask a librarian to order it for you and have it sent here!

Internet Resources

Britannica Kids: Knights and Castles
Beautiful interactive app with articles and games, available for purchase on both Android and iOS devices for $1.99.

Kids’ Castle
http://www.kidsonthenet.org.uk/castle/
Explore each virtual area of this 1480 Nottingham Castle replica, meet the residents, and learn all about medieval castle life.

Middle Ages
http://www.learner.org/interactives/middleages/
Find out was it really like to live in the Middle Ages?

Middle Ages for Kids
http://medievaleurope.mrdonn.org/
Tons of great information about life in the middle ages.

Check out our library databases...
The library provides FREE online resources just for kids. You can access them from anywhere. You will need your library card barcode to access them from home or your smartphone. From your laptop, go to parsippanylibrary.org, click on Research, then click Databases. From your smartphone, go to parsippanylibrary.org, click on Menu, then Research, then Databases.
Suggested databases:
• Kids Search
• Searchasaurus
• World Almanac for Kids

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