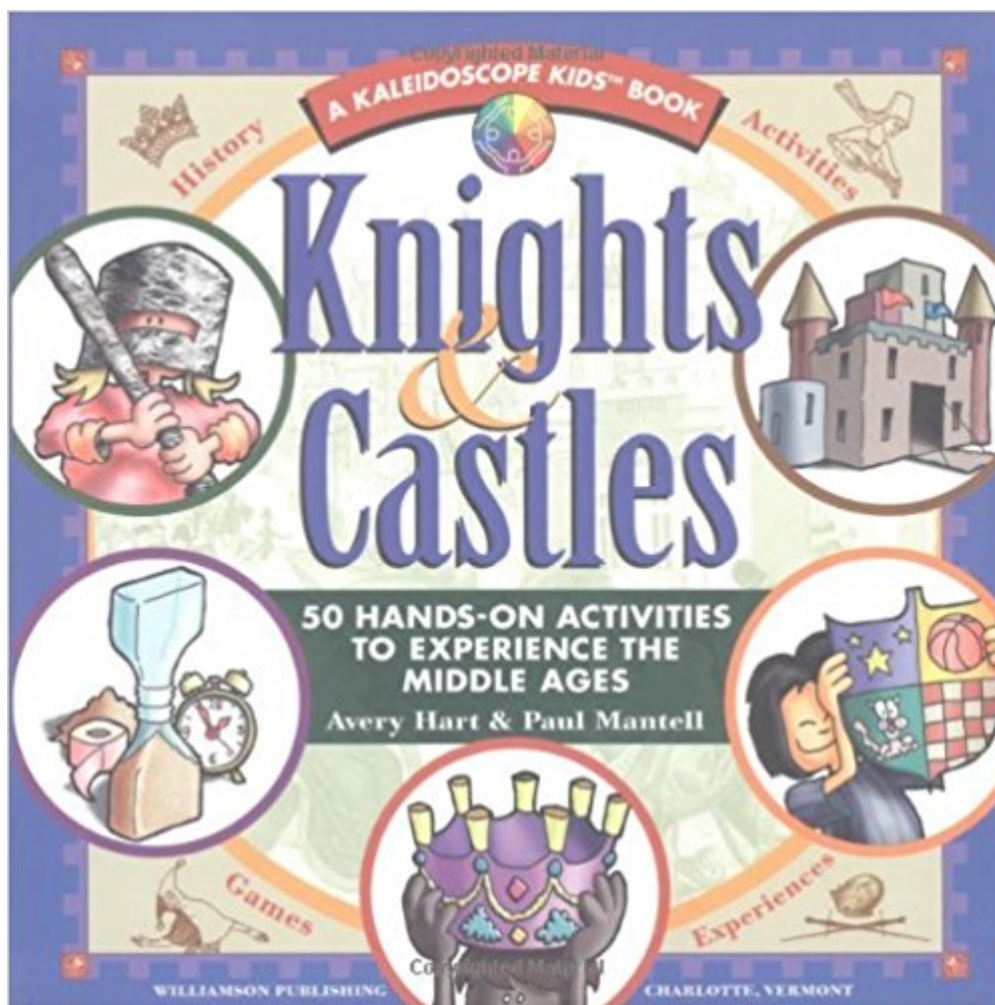


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# Knights & Castles: 50 Hands-On Activities To Explore The Middle Ages (Kaleidoscope Kids Books (Williamson Publishing))



## Synopsis

Dozens of games and celebrations invite kids to investigate the Middle Ages, while through descriptions of food, clothing and more, they can become part of a mythical time of castles and kings, cathedrals and conquests.

## Book Information

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Grade Level: 2 and up

## Customer Reviews

Grade 3-6?Neither a history nor a craft book but a synthesis of both, *Knights & Castles* makes a lively introduction to the Middle Ages. Children are invited to travel back through time and imagine life in the past. Each chapter explores a segment of medieval society (the feudal system, the life of a noble, the role of the church, etc.) and provides a selection of related activities and craft projects (e.g., make an hourglass, build a catapult, a recipe for Rose Petal Bread). Food, living conditions, and the constant warfare and its subsequent influence on how people lived and played are described. The underlying theme is that the Middle Ages was a period characterized by extreme opposites, as the ideals of the time were often in strong contrast with the realities. The text is written in a breezy tone and illustrated with a combination of line drawings and blue- or purple-ink reproductions of medieval art and woodcuts. The format is a little cluttered, but not to the point of confusion. Fun and educational, this is a worthy addition. ?Kathryn Kosiorek, Cuyahoga County

We homeschool and this books was full of lots of fun things to enhance out unit! We used it once for PreSchool and I'm pulling ideas from it again for our second grade curriculum, History of the World vol 2. As usual, some activities are quick and easy to pull together and others involve odd materials or lots of effort, but it's a good collection to choose from.

Great information and activities for Gifted 3rd and 4th graders who are studying the Middle Ages.

If you are willing to gather the materials, there are lots of project ideas in this book. I teach middle school and purchased this book in hopes of finding a couple of ideas to enhance my unit on King Arthur. There are also lots of fun historical facts in the book. I especially like the section about Medieval names and their meanings.

used at Cub Camp

Lots of fun activities and tidbits of info. Would be great for an upper-elementary to middle school student or classroom. I adapted it for use with 2nd graders.

Wonderful book! Lots of activities and facts. Very student-friendly!

Informative, but boring

This is a great resource for teachers and homeschoolers. Obviously by reading other reviews you can see some of the issues that have cropped up with this book for others. What I liked about it is that it covered a wide range of activities that would help children learn about medieval times and knights and castles. Knights and castles are fun to learn about and young children enjoy learning about knights, castles, kings and princesses. This book has a lot of ideas of things children can make and do to help them envision this age in history. We enjoyed doing many of the activities out of this book. Enjoy.

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