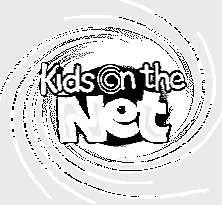




Diaries



Name

Date

First find out all the information you can about **diaries**.

- Look at the Kids' Castle webpage about diaries.

http://www.kidsonthenet.com/castle/castl_fm.html Go to Lucy's tower. Read some of the diary entries.

- Read about diaries and the people who have written them in books, look them up on the Internet or on a CD-ROM.

Write a diary entry about a day in the life of someone living in a medieval castle. Here are some words to help you.

chess	drawbridge	long siege	stoolball
arrow loops	dungeon	lumpy pallet	tapestry
banquet	faithful squire	mangonel	tired pilgrim
banquet	falcon	maze	tournament
Black Knight	garderobe	minstrel	trebuchet
boar's head	gauntlet	parsley and	trencher
broken lance	great keep	other herbs	troubadour
castle ramparts	green tunic	portcullis	trumpets
chain-mail	helm	red slipper	wild boar
chapel	hunting dog	rush mats	yellow surcoat
coat of arms	hunting horn	secret passage	young page
deep moat	jester	sharp sword	
deep well	joust	squirrel stew	
	leather bucket		

What important news might you write about?

Remember to write in the **first person**, as if it were **you** who was writing the diary.

Try to **recount some facts** and **express some opinions** about castle life. First, decide who you want to be. Then think about what you might have worn, what you ate, what you did and how you felt.

What was life like in a medieval castle?



Your name in the castle.....

Date

Dear Diary.....

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