

E.Q. What were the causes and effects of the Crusades?



Background Information



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Three major religious groups all claimed Jerusalem, in the land of Palestine, as their holy city.

CHRISTIANS

JEWS

MUSLIMS



<http://israeljewels.com>



*Video: Setting

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What was each religion's claim to Jerusalem?

To Christians:

*Place where Jesus was crucified, arose from the dead, and ascended to heaven

To Jews:

*Abraham was given this land by God.

To Muslims:

*Abraham was given this land by God.

*Place where Muhammad ascended into heaven to meet Allah

Background Information

- *In 600 C.E., **Muslims** entered the city of Jerusalem and took control.
- *Muslims allowed Christians and Jews to make **pilgrimages** to visit Jerusalem.
- *Jews and Christians could even **live** in Palestine as long as they **paid an extra tax**.

The Crusades



What were the Crusades?

The Crusades were a series of eight **Christian military expeditions** fought against **Muslims** for the **Holy Lands** between the years of 1096 and 1270 C.E.

The word “crusade” comes from the Latin word *crux* meaning **cross**.

“To take up the cross” meant to become a **crusader**.

To identify themselves, crusaders **sewed** symbols of the cross of Christ onto their **clothing** and **painting** crosses onto their **shields**.

What caused the Crusades?

*****Holy Land was closed to Christians.**

- Around 1095 C.E., a new group of Muslims (Seljuk Turks) took control of the Holy Lands, including Jerusalem, and **closed it to all Jewish and Christian pilgrims.**
- The Emperor of the Byzantine Empire asked **Pope Urban II** for help in **regaining** these lands for **Christians.**
- Pope Urban II **agreed** to help and called for the **first** Crusade.

What Caused the Crusades?

(Other Motivations)



Pope Urban II Preaches the First Crusade

The Pope hoped that the Crusades would also.....

- Give the Roman Catholic Church **power** over the church of the Byzantine Empire
- **Reduce** warfare at home – Nobles fight the **Muslims** instead of **each other**

Video: Christianity and the Crusades – to 1:00



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What Caused the Crusades?

With your shoulder partner, discuss the **MAIN** cause of the Crusades.

Also discuss some of the **other factors** that led to the Crusades.



Why did people fight in the Crusades?

When Pope Urban II called for the first Crusade, about **30,000** men left Western Europe to fight in the Holy Land.

What was their motivation?



Why did people fight in the Crusades?



- Religious convictions (They believed it was their **duty as Christians.**)
- Pope promised **forgiveness of sins** for **anyone** who fought in Crusades.
- **Serfs** were **freed** from their role in the feudal system.
- **Taxes** would be paid by **Church** and any **debt** would be **cancelled**.
- Gain personal **wealth** by claiming riches in Holy Land.
- **Adventure**

Why did people fight in the Crusades?

With your shoulder partner, based on the information learned **give one reason why you might have decided to fight in the Crusades.**



Video: "Christianity and the Crusades" – 1:00 to end



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<http://www.laboringinthe lord.com>

The Crusades



- The Crusades were a series of eight conflicts.
- Video “Crusades to the Middle East” 1:26 - end



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<http://historywithsanders.blogspot.com>

What were the effects of the Crusades?

- Stimulated TRADE
 - new products introduced
 - cities and towns grew in importance
 - port cities in Italy became important trading centers (Venice)
- Weakened Feudalism
 - Nobles and Knights left or sold their fiefs to fight.
 - Many serfs were given freedom.
- **Kings** of Europe became more **powerful**
- Increased **use of money**
- Spread of **ideas, cultures, and advancements**



What were the effects of the Crusades?



- Video “Legacy”
- With shoulder partner, give one effect of the Crusades and explain why it is important.



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The Crusades: 1095-1272

Life Before the Turning Point

Europe was in the Dark Ages. There was **little trade and lack of education**. **Serfs** worked the land and did not leave their manor. The **Church** dominated socially and politically.



Turning Point

Pope Urban II called for all **Christians** to unite and fight the **Muslims** to regain control of the **Holy lands**.



Effects/Changes/Impact

After four Crusades, the **Muslims** won control of the **Holy Lands**. However, the crusades resulted in **increased trade** in Europe and the development of **towns**. Trade routes needed to be protected, which led to the **rise of power of Kings** and the **decrease of power of the nobles**.



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