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MIDDLE AGES AND CHARACTERISTICS OF
THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Abstract: *The English Middle Ages covers, historically, the period from the 12th to the 15th century. This period was an important one for the development and transformation of the English language, and it included a number of social, political and cultural changes. Middle English, along with its structural and lexical aspects, has its own characteristics, reflecting important stages in the formation and development of the English language during this period. This article provides information about the Middle Ages and its characteristics.*

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One of the most important features of medieval English is its lexical richness and the expansion of its vocabulary. During this period, many words from French, Latin and other languages entered the English language. This happened mainly after the Norman conquest of England. The Normans, in turn, brought the French language, which greatly influenced the development of the English language. French words are mainly used in administration, art, culture and other fields. For example, words such as "government", "court", "beauty" come from the French language. Medieval English also underwent grammatical changes. During this period, important changes took place in the syntax and morphology of the English language. For example, during this period, word order and connections between words became clearer, and the grammatical structure of the language was simplified. In medieval English, many verbs and nouns changed forms and new forms appeared. These changes helped make the language simpler and easier to understand. Another feature of medieval English is the abundance of dialects. During this period, there were different dialects of English, which added to the richness of the language. Each dialect had its own characteristics and there were differences between these dialects. For example, there were pronunciation and lexical differences between the Northern English dialect and the Southern English dialect. These dialects, in turn, contributed to the development and enrichment of the English language. The development of written literature in English in the Middle Ages is also important. Many writers and poets wrote works in English during this period. Their works reflect the development and change of the English language. For example, Geoffrey Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales* is one of the most important examples of medieval English. This work





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reflects not only the development of the language, but also the social and cultural life of that time. Chaucer used different dialects and language in his own style in his works. Another important feature of medieval English is the social functions of the language. During this period, English language played an important role in social life and culture. On the one hand, it serves as a means of communication among the people, and on the other hand, it was widely used in literature and art. The English language, with its rich lexicon and grammatical structure, became important in expressing social relations during that period. This process increased the role of language in social life.[1]

The Middle Ages are associated with the development of the English language as well as historical events. The political and social changes that took place in England during this period influenced the change of the language. For example, the Norman invasion of England in 1066 caused the English language to be influenced by the French language. This event played an important role in increasing the lexical richness of the English language and in the emergence of new words. Also, the economic changes and trade relations that took place in England during this period also influenced the development of the language.[2]

Another important aspect of Middle English is its variability. During this period, the English language was constantly changing, incorporating new words and expressions. These changes reflect the dynamic nature of language and are important in its development. Many new phraseological units and expressions appeared in medieval English. These units played an important role in increasing the richness of the language and making the communication process more effective. Many literary genres developed in medieval English. Poetry, prose and dramatic works were widely spread during this period. New styles and genres appeared in literature, which increased the richness of the English language. Literature, in turn, played an important role in the development of language. Medieval literature serves as an important source in the study of lexical and grammatical aspects of the language.[3]

The Middle Ages are important in the study of the characteristics of the English language, linguistics and literature. This period helps to understand the process of development and change of the English language. The changes that took place in the English language in the Middle Ages played an important role in the modern formation of the language. Studying this period allows for a deeper understanding of the historical development of the English language and its place in culture. Middle English is also important in the study of the social and cultural context of the language. During this period, the English language served as a means of communication between social strata. The Middle Ages were associated with changes in the English language, changes in social life, and this process further strengthened the interdependence between language and culture.[4]

Conclusion. In summary, the Middle Ages is an important period for the development and change of the English language. This period is distinguished by the lexical richness





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of the language, grammatical structure, dialects, literature and social functions. The Middle Ages is important in the study of English, linguistics, and cultural studies, a process that contributes to a deeper understanding of the historical development of the English language and its place in culture. The changes that took place during this period played an important role in the modern formation of the English language and were of great importance in increasing the richness of the language. The study of the characteristics of the English language in the Middle Ages allows for a deeper understanding of the relationship between language and culture.

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