Mr. Valentine’s 10th Grade English – Unit III – Week 1 – Historical Introduction and French Arthuriana

1. The Middle Ages takes place roughly during what years?

2. What happens to the Roman Empire?

3. What is the feudal system?

4. Define chivalry and medieval romance.

5. How did the Crusades and the Black Death change Europe?

6. Who is the most famous female author in Arthurian literature, and which of her works are we reading?

7. Define metaphor and extended metaphor. What extended metaphor is used in Chevrefoil?

8. What is courtly love, and how does it apply to Chevrefoil?

9. Who is the most famous name in Arthurian / medieval romance in the French language?

10. What film are we watching in our examination of Arthurian / medieval romance, and what quest do the knights of that film undertake?