*Castle Diary, Journal of Tobias Burgess, Page*  
Study Guide

Study Guide #1 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**Read**: page 7-February 5

1. Who is Tobias Burgess and why is he writing this journal?
2. Where is Tobias going?

1. What is the Great hall used for?
2. What do people call his aunt and uncle?
3. What are the duties of a page? (January 13th)
4. Name the primary duties of the following:  
   a. The Steward

b. The Butler

c. The Cellarer

d. The Constable

Which of the jobs listed would you want to have and why?

1. What types of things must a squire learn?
2. Name the duties of the following:  
   e. The Reeve

f. The Chaplain

g. Sergeant-Farrier

Which of the jobs listed would you want to have and why?

1. Of the 5 types of horses, which would you most want to have and why?
2. Name a punishment used in medieval time period.
3. For what two reasons is Tobias disappointed with his experience of the hunt?

**What do YOU think:** Would you enjoy going on a hunt? Why or why not?

Study Guide #2 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**Read**: February 6-June 9

1. What are the duties of the Brewess?
2. What does it mean that the cook sets Tobias to “copying”?
3. What trick does the Cook play on Tobias?
4. Name the responsibilities of the Constable:
5. What is "the butts?"
6. What special dish did Tobias eat?
7. Do you think the jousts are dangerous? How do you know?
8. What things does Simon do in preparation for being dubbed a knight?

**What do you think?** Would you like to see a joust? Why or why not?

Study Guide #3 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
**Read**: June 13-August 29

1. What is a garderobe?
2. Are you surprised by what they describe as good table manners? Why or why not?
3. What do you think is the strangest food eaten at the feast?
4. Describe the desserts:
5. Name three strange things the doctor does as he’s treading Tobias:
6. After Tobias is well again, he sees a man catching fish in the moat. Why is this a crime?
7. What is the “boon”?

**What do you think?** Is it ok for Tobias’s uncle to force the villagers to harvest his wheat crop for him? Why or why not? What other things seem to be unfair for the villagers?

Study Guide #4 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
September 3–December 28

1. Who does Tobias see at the harvesting? What does Tobias learn about him?
2. Who ends up winning the sheep?
3. What is happening to David and why?
4. What is it like in the jail?
5. Name two things done with pig’s bladders:
6. What does the judge decide about David?
7. Name some things done in the castle to celebrate Christmas:
8. What is the special day for horses?
9. What gift does Tobias receive?

**What do you think?** Would you like to spend a year away from home learning some specific job? Why or why not?

Study Guide #5 Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Read: pages 94-112

1. What was the lowest class of people called and what were they required to do?
2. Europe put people into groups based on their birth and the amount of land they controlled. This is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Name two types of castles. What part of a castle is the weakest?
4. Which siege weapon do you think is the cleverest and why?
5. What new inventions and practices began to make castles not as useful?
6. Design below your own arms using:
   1. <http://www.makeyourcoatofarms.com/app.asp>
   2. Or your own ideas using the worksheet
   3. Look up your own family’s coat of arms and use it for a model.