

### Middle Age

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Period in European history which began after the collapse of the West Roman Empire in the 4th and 5th centuries and continued until the Renaissance in 15th century.



Although there were substantial changes in society and political structures, the break with classical antiquity was not complete.

The Late Middle Ages was marked by difficulties and calamities including hunger, plague and war, which significantly diminished the population of Europe. Between 1347 and 1350, the Black Death killed about a third of Europeans.