

# Word of the week w/c 15th Jan 2024

## Humanities Key Word

# Chivalry

abstract noun

(Say - shiv-el-ree)

In the Middle Ages, Knights had to follow the Code of Chivalry. It determined a knight's behavior. For example, knights were expected to be brave, obey their lords, help people, respect women of noble birth, and honor the Church.



## The Code of Chivalry

To live one's life so that it is worthy of respect and honor by

### Fair Play

Never attack an unarmed foe.  
Never charge an unhorsed opponent.  
Never attack from behind.  
Avoid cheating.  
Avoid torture.

### Nobility

Exhibit self discipline.  
Show respect to authority  
Obey the Law  
Administer Justice  
Protect the Innocent  
Respect Women

### Valor

Exhibit courage in word and deed.  
Avenge the wronged.  
Defend the weak and innocent.  
Fight with honor.  
Never abandon a friend, ally, or noble cause.

### Honor

Always keep one's word.  
Always maintain one's principles.  
Never betray a confidence or comrade.  
Avoid deception.  
Respect Life.

### Courtesy

Exhibit manners  
Be polite and attentive.  
respectful of host, authority, and women.

### Loyalty

To God, Sovereign, Country, and the Code of Chivalry.

