

## MEN OF THE MIDDLE AGES MATRIX

All dates are A.D.

- 450 Attila the Hun terrorizes Rome
- 500 Clovis, unites Gaul, becomes first king of France
- 550 Justinian, organizes Roman law into Justinian Code
- 600 Mohammed, establishes Islam, Koran
- 732 Battle of Tours won by Charles Martel  
turning point keeping Muslims out of Europe
- 800 Charlemagne crowned Emperor of the Roman Empire  
advances schools, education
- 900 Alfred the Great saves England from the Danes, advances schools,  
literature
- 900 Rollo the Viking bargains for Normandy in exchange for peace
- 1066 William the Conqueror, a Norman, wins the English crown in the Battle of  
Hastings
- 1215 King John signs the Magna Carta, guaranteeing nobles a say in their  
government
- 1300 Marco Polo, a Venetian trader, establishes trade and cultural contact with  
China
- 1430 Joan of Arc leads the French king's army, drives the English from France
- 1450 Johannes Gutenberg invents the printing press with movable metal type,  
enables books to be published easily
- 1475 William Caxton brings the printing press to England, an explosion of  
English in print results