Food in Chaucer & the Middle Ages Project

Directions: Each student or group of students will be assigned a character in Chaucer's General Prologue and the Millers Tale. Students will then research their character and how there interactions with food affirm or disaffirm history accurately. At the end students will then portray how characters in Chaucer's Tales with food are portrayed versus how they are different then the reality. There are enough characters that each student can get their own. The most important and ones that must be selected are bolded.

These final projects can be in the form of a presentation, skit, essay, or another form of arts that prove that you understand how food is portrayed and the differences in reality and in the book. Each student or group must write a short essay or (500-1000 words) and use an art form or visual aid to go with it that is about 3-4 minutes in length. These forms of art can be a presentation, skit, drawing,, poster, etc.. The addition of food (either a picture or made) should be included in your final project.

You should not use any uncredible site such as Wikipedia, Quora, or Yahoo Answers. Please refer to the rubric to make sure you have everything required to get full points. Also on your short response, essay or presentation make sure to cite your sources, whether that is in a PowerPoint or essay! Remember the goal of this is to show the characters in Chaucer and whether they are portrayed correctly! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to email me!

	Characters
Knight	Squire
Yeoman	Prioress
Monk	Friar
Merchant	Clerk
Franklin	Tradesmen
Cook	Physician
Wife of Bath	Parson
Plowman	Miller
Manciple	Reeve
Summoner	Pardoner
John	Alisoun
Nicholas	Absolon

Rubric

Food in the Middle Ages and Chaucer						
Criteria		Points				
Essay	800-1,000 words	500-800 words	Less than 500	No writing	/15	
Presentation/Artistic Choice	3-4 minutes	2-3 minutes	Less than 2 minutes	No presentation	/15	
Accuracy	Everything is historically accurate	Most information is accurate	Some accurate information	No accurate information	/15	
Research	2-3 sources used and cited	2-3 sources used but not cited	Less than 2 sources used and/or not cited	No sources used or cited	/15	
Representation of Food Included	Food included (Picture, video, or made)		No food included or used		/5	
		/65				