**Marie de France Quiz**

**Questions**

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| **1.** | 1. When did Marie de France write her lays?  a. The early twelfth century  b. The late twelfth century  c. The fourteenth century  d. We don’t know  2. Why isn’t *Lanval* a Breton Lay?  a. Because it’s too long  b. Because it uses the wrong form  c. Because it doesn’t take place in Brittany  d. It is a Breton Lay  3. Why is the rural setting of the Breton lay appropriate for its subject matter?  4. Whom does Marie de France dedicate her poems to?  a. Henry II  b. William of Marshall  c. All of the above  d. We’re not completely sure  5. Why are the Breton lays written in French?  a. England was occupied by French Imperialists in the twelfth century  b. English was the native language of the people, but French was the language of  the courts  c. French was the native tongue of the English nobility  d. Marie de France and her audience were pretentious  6. Why does Guinevere threaten Lanval and try to get him sentenced to death?  a. Because he refuses to sleep with her  b. Because he attempts to rape her  c. Because he betrayed Arthur  d. Because she is jealous of the fairy lady  7. Discuss how Arthurian literature influenced to medieval English literature.  8. What is gentilesse?  9. Arthur’s court is a just, fair place.  a. True b. False  10. What was the appeal of this story to noble men in the middle ages? How about noble women? |