

**What were the crusades?**

The \_\_\_\_\_ were a series of \_\_\_\_\_ where Christians and Muslims fought to control the Holy Land. \_\_\_\_\_ is a holy place for Christians because many important events in the life of \_\_\_\_\_ happened there. It is holy to the Muslim religion, \_\_\_\_\_, too. Muslims believe their prophet, Mohammed, visited Heaven from there. Jerusalem and the surrounding area (what we call modern day Israel) was known as the \_\_\_\_\_ Land. The crusades dragged on and off for about \_\_\_\_\_ years. English knights and soldiers mainly fought in what is known as the Third Crusade between the years 1189 and 1192 under the king, \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>Crusades</b>	<b>wars</b>	<b>Jerusalem</b>	<b>Jesus</b>
<b>200</b>	<b>Richard I</b>	<b>Holy</b>	<b>Islam</b>

**Why did people go join the Crusades?**

*Sort the information (reasons for joining) on the back of this handout into the three columns below:*

<b>Money</b>	<b>Power</b>	<b>Religion</b>

