

## THE ORIGIN AND AIM OF ENGLISH LITERATURE DURING THE MEDIEVAL ERA

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### ABSTRACT

The medieval literature was written with a purpose to teach Christian dogmas to the masses. The prose and poetry of the time meant to show men the ugliness of sin and the beauty of goodness. Critics are of the view that English drama originated from Christian religious rituals with the purpose to provide religious education to the masses and strengthen the faith of the worshippers. The plays stirred the minds of the people to good deeds, and devotion. The stories from the Bible, the Old and the New Testament showed the death, Burial and Resurrection of Christ in dumb shows. This Research paper will study the origin and aim of English literature during the Medieval Era.

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