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If Freud Lived in the Middle Ages

Chaucer and Freud were good friends from Thames Street in London, England. Their families were also friends. Both of them were of the bourgeois class. City life and country life were not easy but city life was very different and this affected Freud and Chaucer in a different way. The cities were crowded and dirty and most people tried to work as craftsmen. However, young boys worked as servants, merchants, bakers, etc. Peasant life was not good enough instead of city life. They were under the feudal system and they lived in huts, not houses. However, they were gradually growing quite rich at the end of the Middle Ages.

They were speaking three languages which are Latin, French and English. Latin was spoken among religious people. French was spoken among the aristocracy. English was spoken among commoners. Chaucer accepted to be the father of English. It all happened as such: With the Peasant's Revolt and the Black Death the lords had to sell their lands as the workers demanded more money; the rising merchant class got money so they bought those lands. But they didn't have an education in fancy places. They did want to read literature in English, which they spoke. At the same time, Freud took pride for his friend and he also wanted to do something good for their people. When Chaucer started to write *The Canterbury Tales*, Freud started to write what he thinks about society and psychoanalysis. He shattered traditional forms. That's why Chaucer was against him because Chaucer thought that Freud would be excommunicated. They wouldn't accept the enlightenment and innovation easily. They could kill him for his thoughts. But Freud didn't listen to his friend and continued to write his thoughts. Unfortunately, While Chaucer's book was sought, Freud's book wasn't very well received. This was the end of him. One night, people – which class they belong to is unclear – burned Freud's house when he was sleeping in his bed. If Freud lived in the future maybe people could burn just the books instead of him. So maybe he could say that "What progress we are making. In the Middle Ages they would have burned me. Now, they are content with burning my books."