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Mr. Bean in Medieval Time

An English famous singer Mr. Bean lives in London, England in the Medieval period. He is a bard and he sings a medieval ballad. Even though his father is a lord and he comes from aristocracy, he gives up all privileged things to be one of the ordinary English men. He becomes more famous and is now known very well all around the island day by day. Moreover, common people support and respect him. On the other hand, upper classes do not care about his behavior and his reaction against them.

He is a versatile artist. For instance, one day he can attend an important meeting to read a religious lyrics poetry with lords around the table and another day he shows a ballad performance with low-class members in London streets. These modest behaviors make him a fame.

Mr.Bean's daily schedule is as follows:

He gets up early in the mornings, makes a traditional English breakfast, and after reading newspapers or magazines, he reads some important books, by Geoffrey Chaucer for example. He also likes reading European women writers like Bridget of Sweden, Marie de France and Julian of Norwich. Then, he focuses on his works such as preparing and arranging his songs, poems, lyrics, ballads, etc.

Almost every day, except weekends he meets his best friend, John Wycliffe. They catch up with one another all time. Mr. Bean and his friend John do not get on well with the church. They criticize the activities of the church. They always say "*Those people are mad because they give money to a pardoner to be forgiven for their sin*". For them, there is no need for an intermediary between God and Man as the latter needs to become the center of the universe. There is no need for any forgiver and/or moderator between God and humans, they say. These days John Wycliffe argues that the Bible needs to be translated into English. I don't know why.

They also like to attend plays. For example, yesterday night they went to the theatre to watch *The Second Shepherds Play*, which is about the story of Christ's nativity.

He is the real man who likes to live with common people.