

## Knights, or just Keyboard Warriors of Outremer?

*Breaking News, Breaking News, Breaking News, Breaking News, Breaking News, Breaking News, Breaking News,*

### ***Jerusalem Befriends Damascus***

**1140**

Unur, the new governor of Damascus, afraid of the rising power of Zengi, appealed to Fulk for help and promised to help him retake Banias. Fulk did so with additional help from the Franks of Tripoli and Antioch.



Our AS history class has recently been looking at the joint reigns of Melisende and Fulk, the Queen and King of Jerusalem in the 1130s. Whilst there are some absolutely scandalous affairs, murder mysteries, conspiracies and bloody battles, the sheer scale of the drama can be a lot to take in all-in-one go. And why would you wish to anyway? With such an entertaining soap opera unfolding, it's worth unpacking all this from many angles!

We decided to have one final look at the whole series of events. To do this, we reimagined some iconic characters reacting to the story using a fun fake twitter generator we found.

Each student was given their own unique character from the course, with a short profile, and given the task of first building their profile. Then they had to imagine their characters reactions to news reel we made, which centred around King Fulk. The students got to play people such as his less than amiable wife, a very sassy princess, an erratic count, and even a blood-thirsty Turkish warlord. Part of the fun was the interaction within the room and really unpacking how the politics between people changed over time. Below are a few of my favourite responses.

Mr Joshua Crosby

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← Tweet

 **Melisende** 🏆🔵  
@GirlBoss4life

@Number1Angevin WHAT HAV E YOU DONE!! You're a walkin g disaster and negatively affecti ng our precious army #noword s. As for you @Fierce\_warrior w atch your back 😞

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 **Zengi, Atabeg of Mosul** 🔵  
@Fierce\_warrior

I actually despise you @Number1Angevin! Why would you repel an attack from one of my governors?#revenge #bloodthirsty #you've messed with the wrong guy

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 **Alice of Antioch** 🔵  
@consortofantioch

I have regained #Antioch once again!!@Number1Angevin wow. UNBELIEVABLE! You think that just because you're being all 'cosy' with @GirlBoss4life that I won't notice your @HodiernaofTripoli comment. BTW!!!!!!!!!!!!!! @GirlBoss4life that new convent for nuns at Bethany is the LEAST you can do! (also change your username, you're really not a girl boss #gameon)

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