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**Language Help Sheet for the text “Shakespeare: Social and Historical Context: Society”**

**The table below gives you quick language help on specific terms from the text.**

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| origin | The place or point from which anything first comes; the cause |
| Jacobean (adj.) | reign or times of James I of England |
| divine (adj.) | coming from God |
| counsellor | a person who gives advice |
| hierarchy | system in which people or things are  ranked from top to bottom according to their importance |
| aristocracy | class of people who hold high social rank |
| duke | high ranking title in nobility (only below prince) |
| earl | man of high social rank; man of noble birth or rank |
| baron | low-ranking male member of the nobility |
| swathe | long strip or large area esp of land |
| court | household or residence of kings and queens |
| accommodation | place to stay or live |
| merchant | a person whose job is to buy and sell products |
| craftsman | A person who is skilled in a particular craft |
| labourer | a person who performs physical labour,  e.g. on a farm, in a household, in a factory |
| servant | a person employed in another person’s house |
| wage | money people earn for their jobs |
| chain | Deutsch.: Kette |
| sparrow | a bird (*Spatz*) |
| to deem sth.) | to consider or judge sth in a particular way |
| property | objects or buildings owned by sb |
| dowry | money or property the wife brings her husband (*Mitgift, Brautgabe*) |

Annotations adapted for target group from definitions generated with AI and Wikipedia (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Royal\_court)

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