

Summer Bridging Work



Subject: KS3 History

Year: 7 into 8

Topic/Title of what the students will be studying in September for the first half term:

The English Reformation: In what ways did the Tudors deal with religious division in England?

Below there are various links to videos and websites full of interesting facts and background information to build your knowledge on this topic:

You could use the following links write down 5 most interesting things about Henry VIII and his Break with Rome.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zrpcwmn/revision/3>

<https://internetshakespeare.uvic.ca/Library/SLT/ideas/religion/henryviii.html>

The link below has many different research points that you could explore, looking at the wider contextual knowledge such as; his wives, childhood, personality and lifestyle.

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/monarchy/henry-viii-facts/>

Relevant films/videos to watch:

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zkp7TPZHjyA>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8TH65WnwSFs&t=62s>

Activity to undertake:

1. Read the information sheet and highlight reasons for why Henry split from Rome.
2. Transform your key points (don't write it all!) into a column in the table; you must write in full sentences. You could also include images and colour.
3. Number the columns – which do you think was most important?

Why did Henry break from the Roman Catholic Church?

Henry VIII became King in 1509. He also married his brother's widow, Catherine, in 1509. Catherine was from Catholic Spain and had many children including at least 3 boys. Only one girl, Mary, survived. Henry desperately wanted a boy and because Mary seemed unable to give him one and was getting old, he fell in love with Anne Boleyn.

Henry was also worried about his marriage to Catherine because in the Bible it says that it is wrong to marry your brother's wife. Henry thought this was the reason why all his sons had died.

By 1533, Anne was pregnant. There were a growing number of people, including Anne, who were Protestants. They protested against the Catholic Church. They felt the Pope had too much power and control over England. They also complained that the Church was CORRUPT. They listened closely to the preaching of Martin Luther.



He went to war with both France and Scotland. Henry managed to defeat France in 1525 but his problems with Scotland lasted many years. He did not manage to make Scotland loyal to England and spent more money than he could really afford. The MONASTERIES were very wealthy and Henry was short of money. If he was to REFORM the church, he could take their riches!

Although Henry did not agree with all the complaints against the Catholic Church, he was determined to have a male heir. The Catholic Church would not allow him a divorce and so pushed changes in England.

After these changes, he no longer had to share power with the Pope. He became the head of the new Church of England and was now in complete control. This is the Reformation. This happened in 1534.

Power	Faith	Money	Love