

A level Tudor History Induction Work: Phase 3

Welcome!

- Well done for completing phase two of the induction work. Now you will know who the key people are and how they were related. You should also have a good grasp of some of the main events that took place during the Tudor period and be able to put these events in the correct chronological order. This is really important for the Tudor course as there are a lot of dates to remember!

What work is being set?

- In this third phase, you have been set the following work:
 1. Key profiles task
 2. Interpretations of historians

How long should I spend on this work?

- It is expected that you spend 2.5 hours on this first phase of work.

Who should I send this work to and / or who should I contact with any questions?

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How and when to submit work

Complete the activities below one by one, and if you can, create a Onenote to contain the work that you produce and share the link to it so we can see it. Alternatively... upload your work to the new Teams group which you will all be invited to. The tab that reads CLASS NOTEBOOK is what you will need. You will be able to upload documents to your own space.

Please submit work by the Phase 3 deadline – Thursday 2nd September

TASK 1:

Complete this key person profile task:

For each person (below) note down the following information as a minimum, but feel free to add more detail regarding what they did during the Tudor period as you come across it.

- When were they born?
- When did they die and in what circumstances? i.e. natural death or execution...
- What job roles did they have and what did that job/s entail OR what did they do during the Tudor period? (Some people have multiple roles, please include as many as you can).
- What was their main impact on the Tudor era? i.e. what are they remembered for?
- Overall, in your opinion, were they a positive or negative influence on the Tudor era? Explain your answer.

Key Profiles needed:

- Perkin Warbeck
- Lambert Simnel
- Richard Empson and Edmund Dudley

- Thomas More
- Thomas Wolsey
- Thomas Cromwell
- Robert Aske
- Thomas Cranmer
- Lady Jane Grey
- William Cecil (first Baron Burghley)
- Edward Seymour, Duke of Somerset
- John Dudley, Duke of Northumberland

If you have any books on the Tudors at home, you should use them to find the information. Otherwise use Google to search for these key people. Either photograph your work or save it electronically so you can email it to me.

TASK 2:

Interpreting Historians

Henry VII was tall and lean, his seeming fragility concealing a sinewy strength. He had gaunt, aquiline features, with thinning, greying hair and grey eyes. He presented to the world a genial, smiling countenance, yet beneath it he was suspicious, devious and parsimonious. He had grown to manhood in an environment of treachery and intrigue, and as a result never knew security. For all this, he ruled wisely and well, overcome plots to depose him, and put an end to the dynastic warfare that had blighted England during the second half of the fifteenth century.

Henry was miserly by nature, but he was also highly sensitive about the dubious validity of his claim to the throne, and therefore took much care to emphasise his majesty on as grand a scale as possible, thus setting a precedent for his Tudor successors. He was prepared to spend huge sums to impress the world.

[Alison Weir, *The Six Wives of Henry VIII* \(2007\)](#)

Henry VII's body was slender but well built and strong... His appearance was remarkably attractive and his face was cheerful... his eyes were small and blue, his teeth few, poor and blackish; his hair was thin and white; his complexion sallow... his mind was brave and resolute and never, even at the moments of greatest danger, deserted him... In government he was shrewd... He was kind to his visitors... But all these virtues were obscured in later life by greed.

[Polydore Vergil, *English History* \(c.1530\)](#)

Step 1:

Read the two interpretations on Henry VII. For each one, summarise how the author has presented the characteristics of Henry VII. In other words, have they presented him as intelligent, miserly, despotic etc.?

Step 2:

Who are the historians? Research their backgrounds. Who is the most reliable historian? Explain your answer

Step 3:

Find a second contemporary/modern historian (within the last 60 years) and compare their interpretation of Henry VII to that of Alison Weir. Do they agree? What similarities and differences can you identify?

The following website has a good collection comments from various contemporary historians. Scroll down to the primary sources section.

<https://spartacus-educational.com/TUDhenry7.htm>