

# Royal Responsibility: for King or Country

## **Teacher notes**

Duration: **50 minutes** Meeting Point: **Salt Tower Courtyard** 

Divorced, beheaded, died, divorced, beheaded....what advice might a new queen need to keep her head?

It is early 1544 and there is a new queen at court: Henry VIII's sixth bride, Catherine Parr. Accompanied by a courtier who is well-acquainted with Catherine Parr, children will hear about the momentous lives (and deaths!) of Henry VIII's wives. Children will visit locations around the Tower associated with Henry's previous marriages.

#### Learning objectives

Children will:

- Increase knowledge and understanding of the chronology of Henry VIII's marriages.
- Better understand the importance of marriage to monarchy and nobility in the Tudor period.
- Increase knowledge and understanding of the importance of the role of the court in Tudor times.

### National Curriculum links

This session supports:

- Extending chronological knowledge of significant events in British history beyond 1066.
- Developing historical enquiry skills.
- Developing chronological awareness and understanding of historical events and the impact that significant figures have made on our country's past.

#### During your session:

Please note that the 1:10 staff to child ratio which we ask for throughout your visit still applies during your learning session. We ask that sufficient adults remain with the group as they will be encouraged to join in with the session activities. For Health & Safety reason, our sessions are for a maximum of 35 child.





The education session your group has booked with us takes place on the visitor route at the Tower of London.

Please meet your session presenter at the **Salt Tower Courtyard**. This is marked on the map below with a star. The courtyard is located next to the New Armouries Cafe.



This is where your costumed session presenter will meet you at your allocated start time. We recommend being there a few minutes early.

For your information, parts of this session may include time outside so please encourage your children to dress accordingly.

