

Henry VIII

Teacher notes

Duration: 90 minutes

Meeting Point: West Front

Doctrine or dynasty? In this session, students will explore the actions and motivations of King Henry VIII and his ministers as they reshaped the religious map of England, assessing the repercussions of those decisions for Henry's queens, his court and beyond.

Students will examine primary documentary and physical evidence in order to analyse the causes and consequences of the break with Rome and its aftermath, as seen through the lens of Hampton Court Palace.

Learning objectives

Students will:

- Investigate the influence of key figures on Henry VIII during the English Reformation.
- Debate the extent to which the decisions made at this time benefitted Henry, his reign and his legacy.

Exam Board links

This session has been designed to complement the study of King Henry VIII's reign, and particularly the following exam boards:

- **Edexcel, Paper 2:** Period study and British depth study B3: Henry VIII and his ministers, 1509-40.
- OCR A, Component group 3: British depth study: The English Reformation, c.1520-1550.

During your session:

Please note that the 1:10 staff to student 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 and safety reasons, our sessions are for a maximum of 35 students.



The session your group has booked with us takes place on the visitor route. Please meet your workshop presenter at the **West Front**. This is marked on the map below with a star.



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

For your information, this session will include time spent outside so please encourage your students to dress accordingly.