Year 12: Consolidation of the Tudor Dynasty: England 1485-1547 Part 1 Henry VII 1485-1509

| | | Mining | Metallurgy | Coal | Shipbuilding | E John Cabot | Bristol fishermen |
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| H | 7 ECONOMY | O Tin was mined in t Cornwall. h Lead in the Pennines. e Coal in r Northumberland and I Durham. n d u s t r i e s | 1496 H7 sponsored the building of a blast furnace in Kent as part of a smelting works to make weapons for the Scottish war. Germany was superior in metallurgy and mining. | Exported little as most coal was used domestically or for lime-burning & iron smelting. By 1508-9 20% of Newcastle's export trade was in coal much was shipped to London for industries there. Small export trade to Germany & Netherlands. | Invested in the Portsmouth dry dock but did little for the navy which declined to just 5 ships during his reign. Peaceful FP meant navy not needed, however. | x Sponsored John Cabot's p voyage to the American continent in 1497. o Cabot was rewarded r with a pension. a Sponsored another t voyage in 1498 but i Cabot never returned. o Sponsored Sebastian n Cabot in 1508. | Forced out of Icelandic waters by the Hanseatic League they looked for new fishing grounds. Found an area near newfoundland. H7 visited Bristol in 1486 and 1496 so new of these discoveries. |
| | How many employed | Arable Farming | Sheep Farming | Other animals | Bad Harvests | Open-field husbandry | Enclosure |
| Agri cultur e | 90% of population were peasants living off the land and struggling for survival – subsistence agriculture. Peasants had to pay rents, tithes and taxes. | Profitability of arable farming declined causing many to switch to sheep farming in the 1480s and 1490s. | Growth in cloth industry encouraged enclosure, engrossing and changing from arable to sheep farming. | Some horse farming and dairy farming but limited. | Harvest determined abundant food or starvation & disease. 1495 >>>> 1496-9 average 1490s>>>> 1500-1503 <<<< 1504-9 >> Fluctuations determined prices for basic food & impacted size of the population & condition of the people. | Under the open-field system peasants enjoyed common rights to land allowing them to graze animals on land to supplement their income. | Enclosure- rearranging open fields into field separated by hedge or fences. It ended common rights to land. Led to rural de- population as less labour intensive 1488 & 1489 Acts against enclosure. Engrossing: combining small farms into one large unit with 1 owner. |
| | Importance? | Raw Wool | Fulling and dying | Expansion & Prosperity | Merchants of the Staple | Merchant Adventurers | Hanseatic League |
| C I o t h T r a d e | 90% of exports. Cottage-industry – took place in people's homes and supplemented income from farming. Estimated 60% increase in cloth exports 1485-1509. Employed 1.3% of population fulltime. Part-time work for many more. | Decline in export of raw wool before H7, continued. | Developed as wool export replaced by cloth which required fulling and dyeing. Offered rural employment to supplement agricultural incomes. | The growing profitability of wool encouraged farmers to enclose or engross farms. Wool was used to clothe everyone but new markets in Antwerp meant the English were clothing Germans and eastern Europeans. Merchant Clothiers arranged the collection & sale of cloth, thread and wool. | In decline as main export raw wool. Exported raw wool through Calais. | Founded in 1407 and dominated by mercers from the City of London. In ascendancy as main export finished cloth. Used by H7 to limit the trading rights of the Hansa. Could influence the Crown and were powerful in the creation of Intercursus Magnus and Malus. Most powerful business organisation during H7's reign. | The export of cloth by the Hansa merchants increased 5x between 1400 7 1500. 1487 H7 banned the export of finished cloth by foreign merchants. 1489 ended the Hansa's privilege in exporting bullion from England. Ended restrictions in 1504 when he needed Hansa support to gain Ear of Suffolk. |
| Т | Crown's approach | Sectional Interests | Trade Embargo | Intercursus Magnus 1496 | Intercursus Malus 1506 | Other Countries | Navigation Acts |
| r d L a | Little consistency. Was interested in maximising customs revenue – would sacrifice this for dynastic ends, | H7 passed 50 statutes to do with economy but most were promoted by sectional groups such as merchant from the City of London. | 90-95% of trade was internal – road network extensive . 1493 embargo due to HRE support of Warbeck. Economically damaging | Signed with Philip of Burgundy after support for Warbeck withdrawn. Free trade throughout Burgundy, except in Flanders. | Part of the Treaty of Windsor. Gave the English such trade privileges that the Burgundians did not honour it. | 1487 – France placed trade restriction after H7 backed Breton – reduced as part of Etaples. 1495 – all restrictions ended. | 1485 & 1489 specified English ships & crew had to be used in certain trades. Limited success – by 1509 1/2/ trade carried |

| W however. S & T r e a ti e S | | | and politically unnecessary. | | | | | out by foreign ships. |
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| | | | Prosperity and Depression Temporary price rise in the 1480s, otherwise prices remained steady. | | | | Living Standards Population growth – 1430 2.1 million, 1522 2.3 million – | |
| new denominatio shilling with his p | | | Decline in the export price of wo Building workers and agricultura of Tudor period. | ol 7 grain in 1490s I labourers better off in 14 | 90s than they would b | e for rest | may seem small but the b explosion that would read | |
| H7: Go | vernment | Royal Council | Royal Cou | rt Coui | ncil Learned | Ro | yal Household | Privy Chamber |
| 150 mer Rola adm lega Cou and esta The Cou | | 227 attended parliament 14 1509, although only 6 or 7 members on the working Co Role: advise the king, administer the realm and m legal judgements. Councillors: nobility, church and laymen. There were no established procedures or r There was a dependence o Council on its key members the Council Learned. | wherever the king was. Court central to Henry's monarchy (power was of upon relationship with H political office held) and for royal ceremony. ules. f the status along with paid p | A 'specialist dependent A 'specialist dependent A 'specialist da place prerogative ards and Ked by Bray 1503, then F uld Historians h verson on work as 'sha court recognised a | ecialist board'. Its function o maintain the king's nue and exploit his gative rights. by Bray until he died in , then Empson & Dudley. rians have often seen their as 'shady' due to not being pnised as a court of law and e who were summoned had | | Henry created the Privy Chamber due to Stanley's betrayal. It changed the character of the court through making it more difficult for those who were out of favour to regain the king's support. Henry cut himself off from much of the king's traditional contacts at court. | |
| Key Dates: Parliamen Parliaments | | Parliament | Maintenance of Order | Law & Justice | es of the Peace | Bonds | s & recognisances | Acts of Attainder |
| Attainder and v 1487 Purpose: To de financial matter 1489-90 Purpose: To fun expedition again 1491-2 Purpose: To fun France. 1495 Purpose: To fun Warbeck. 1497 Purpose: To fun Scotland. 1504 Purpose: To rais | alwith lawlessness and safter the Battle of Stoke. d theroyalarmy for the st France. d the expedition against nage the threat from Perkin d the possible war against etwo feudal levies for Princess age and Prince Arthur's | Main functions were to pass and grant taxation. Also pa on local issues and grievan the king's officials. It was m up by the Lords Spiritual an Lords Temporal. Only the ki could call parliament, called seven times during Henry's Henry's parliaments were u concerned with national issu security and raising of rever along with multiple Acts of Attainder. | assedwas the maintenance of and law. The king relied placed members of the exercise power on his bill Henry had fewer magner Edward IV as he wante reign.dEdward IV as he wante over the land he ruled, areas he gave control t ues of | of order relied on the d on well- maintain law nobility to countryside. behalf. appointed o ates than country bas ed control a year to ad in some superseded o the of 1495: Parlia ugh after role of JPs e ire decide on a rrey murder. | he Peace – Henry esse at a local level to v and order in the . They were n a country-by- is and met four times minister justice. They the county sheriff. ament extends the enabling them to II offences except | owed a lu payable if behaviour A recogni person fo debt or ob Marquis c bond afte involveme | ecognised that a person imp sum which was not if the condition (good r) was met. isance was when a rmally acknowledged a obligation. of Dorset had to give a r his suspected ent in the Simnel plot. It ed future loyal conduct. | Parliament passed to declare a nobleman guilty of a crime against the Crown, usually treason. The noble might be imprisoned, and the attainted family lost the right to inherit lands and titles. Reversible. Duke of Norfolk attainted and after Bosworth. Released and restored to the earldom of Surrey in 1489 to suppress uprising in Yorkshire. |

| | | | making complaints against JPs. | Lump sums payable from bonds: | 1485-6:28 people |
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| | | | | 1493-4, £3,000 | 1487:28 people |
| | | | | 1504-5: £75,000 | 1495: 24 people |
| Key People | Administration of Finance | Ordinary | Revenue | Extraordinar | y Revenue |
| Reginald Bray – Council Learned | Exchequer: Employed its own officials- therefore H7 sub- | Crown Lands: Some lands were confiscated under the Act of | 1486: £12,000 | Parliament granted subsidy - a 15 th was the rate of tax on the | Each subsidy yielded £29,000. H7 achieved efficient tax |
| Richard Empson – Council Learned | contracted financial | Attainder; others were reclaimed | 1508: £42,000 | moveable goods of laymen and a | collection. |
| Edmund Dudley – Council Learned | management. Kept accurate accounts but | after the Act of resumption. | After death of wife and son H7 had their land too so >>>> | 10 th on the income of the clergy. | £400,000 raised in total |
| John Morton – Archbishop of Canterbury | considered slow and inefficient. Chamber: had been used by the | Feudal Dues: If heir a minor King had income from land. | Wardships rose: 1487- under £350 to 1507- £6000 | French pension: granted in 1475 to Edward IV. At Treaty of Etaples, | £159, 000 |
| Richard Fox - Bishop | Yorkist kings. H7 reluctant to use it as he lacked financial | Then had to pay livery to get it back. | 1502 Robert Willoughby de | Charles VIII agreed to pay arrears. | |
| William Stanley - Lord Chamberlain | experience. He was cautious and not prepared to risk bankruptcy. | All tenants-in-chief were obliged | Broke paid £400 for livery on his lands. | Clerical taxes: matched subsidy | £9,000 raised each subsidy |
| Jasper Tudor – control of Wales | Henry gradually turned to this | to pay an aid to the king on the knighting of his eldest son and | £30,000 was collected on the | Earned income from vacant bishoprics | £6,000 a year at end of reign. |
| Thomas Stanley – the North | system. From 1493 the Exchequer lost its role in | marriage of his eldest daughter. | posthumous knighting of Prince Arthur. | | |
| Earl of Northumberland – the North | accounting for revenue from crown lands. | | | | |
| Earl of Surrey – the North | crown lanus. | | | | |
| | | Profits of justice: fines were paid directly to the Crown. However, more was owed than collected. | 1507 Burgavenny fined £100,000 for illegally retaining although he probably paid no more than £1,000 and was pardoned. | Benevolences: forced loans that were not repaid | In 1491, the king raised £48,000 to fund the invasion of France. |
| | | Customs Dues: Granted poundage 7 tonnage income by parliament in 1486. Twice | Rose from £33,000 to £40,000 | Loans: granted by richer subjects or groups such as the merchants of London | £10,000 given in 1485. He repaid the loans. |
| | | | | le kept peace through his rigorous and acrease his income and allowed him to | |

| H7: Religion, Arts & Humanism | The Church | Hierarchy | Management of the church | | hurch: Humanism eresy |
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| | term secular clergy refers to deacons and priests who are not monastics or members of a religious institute. They are referred to also as the Diocesan | Area | Henry used the church to strengthen his position by keeping a tight control on church appointments, selecting loyal, well-educated churchmen to important posts. Church administrative structure in which archbishops and bishops were responsible for the running of churches across the regime strengthened royal power. No disputes with the papacy. Pope needed support over French and Spanish aggression in Italy. After Bosworth Henry declared his obedience to Pope Innocent VIII who in turn gave HVII and dispensation to marry Liz and declared their children legitimate. | urch to ition byThere was no open conflict between HVII and the pope.1509 a number of influential reformists were already in k posts.hts, selecting id churchmenHeretics were in England during Henry's reign. 73 were p trial and 3 were burned alive. They were members of a s underground sect- the Lollards- they believed the bible s be more accessible to laymen.hps and onsible for rches acrossThe Lollards also denounced papal authority and believe triansubstantiation.Lollards had very little support. There were other critics- anticlerical- who did not wish to undermine the church bu wanted reform from within.The European Renaissance led to changes. More interes learning and discovery. The printing press enhanced this Humanists aimed to end the monopoly of the church on learning. | |
| Key Dates | Catholic | Doctrine | Criticisms of Catholicism | Huma | anism |
| 1414 - Lollard uprising fails 1478 - Printing press established 1502 - Henry VII approved the Gothic perpendicular style for The Pope is the head of the Catholic Church. The doctrine of Papal Infallibility states everything he says is right! In order to reach Heaven, it was necessary to observe as many of the seven sacraments as possible: Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage, Unction, Penance, Holy Orders and Eucharist. Priests needed to intercede between God and individuals. Only the priest could take communion in both kinds – the blood and body of Christ. The Bible is written in Latin and must be interpreted by priests. Transubstantiation: During Mass the bread and wine miraculously turn into the | | | On the whole pre-Reformation Church was popular & healthy. Humanists did not question Catholic principles but did criticise some practices. In particular the quality of some priests and the perceived reliance on Catholic rituals rather than prayer and worship | Humanism was founded on the rediscovery of original Latin and Greek texts. It stressed the power and potential of humankind. Human behaviour and knowledge could be enhanced by education. They believed the church should promote prayer and knowledge of the faith. Thought sciences and the humanities should be studied not just religion. Henry VII showed little interest in humanist writers. | |
| the Lady Chapel at | body and blood of Christ. | - | in services | Erasmus (c.1469-1536) | |
| Westminster Abbey. 1509 - Henry VII's death. | Purgatory is where souls are tortured unti is paid to monasteries to say mass for the out of purgatory quicker. Salvation (the saving of your soul) could o and good works. | | The greatest scholar of the early 16 th century. He travelled extensively over Europe. Wanted to improve the Roman Catholic Church but not destroy it. He influenced events in England by his friendships with John Colet, Thomas Wolsey, Thomas More and Henry VIII's tutor John Skelton. | | |
| Arts | Drama & Music | Literacy | Education | John Colet (1467-1519) | Thomas More (1478-1529) |
| There was a massive amount of building and rebuilding of Parish churches that occurred around this time and the vast majority were built in the Gothic perpendicular style. English culture still followed the Gothic traditions of north-western Europe with an allegedly primitive visual style. Lavenham and Long Melford both had additions during this time due to money from the cloth trade. | The most important art form of the time was drama, and plays were often presented in association with church- ale festivals. The most popular plays were mystery plays with religious morals. Music was also enjoyed at various levels in the fifteenth century, but the most important surviving source of music heard in cathedrals and other major churches. | The invention of the printing press had more of an impact than new ideas such as humanism. However, this was concentrated amongst the literate. The nobles and gentry learnt to read as a result of the printing press and Henry VII did support the print industry. Henry also encouraged the arts commissioning Polydore Vergil to write a history of England and John Skelton was employed to write enthusiastically about the wise rule of Henry. | This period was also the time of widening educational opportunities, as Song schools and Reading schools provided elementary education for the very young. Grammar schools were also introduced in place of secondary education. University education rested on the ancient universities of Oxford and Cambridge. H7 set up King's college. | Travelled Europe and then returned to lecture at Oxford. Translated the New Testament into English for his students. He believed it should be plain and easy to read. On his father's death and his inheritance he founded, St Pauls School which would teach humanities. | Lawyer, scholar, writer, MP and Lord Chancellor, who was beheaded executed he refused to recognise the break from Rome. He wrote Utopia which criticised practices in the church. Helped H8 write in Defence of the Seven Sacraments. |

| H7 Society | Stratified | Nobility | Gentry | Commoners | Churchmen |
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| | Society had changed little from the feudal system. At the top, great landowners and senior churchmen; the base of the system compromised those who laboured on their own behalf. But, growth of a professional and mercantile bourgeoisie became increasingly important in cities. Feudal system was still apparent in the law, social relationships and attitudes. Economic pressures since the Black Death had increased social mobility. | Only 50-60 men. Henry VII did not trust them - controlled through bonds and recognisances. Nobles' power based on 'retaining' (bastard Feudalism) which was where wealthy magnates recruited knights and gentlemen to serve them. Henry only trusted Lancastrian military commanders such as the Earl of Oxford and Lord Daubeny, they had much more political influence under Henry. Acts against retaining 1487 & 1504. | Great landowners. Sought knighthoods as a conformation of their social status. It was assumed they would help in their administration of their localities. John Guy said peers and knights owned 15-20% the country's land. Many were social climbers and this causes the caste to not be a fixed one as expectations of the lower members were considerably different than those of the higher members. | The 'middling sort' at the top - yeomen farmers. Then shopkeepers and skilled tradesmen. Below yeomen were husbandmen who kept smaller farms. Yeomen and husbandmen can be described as 'peasants'. Labourers at the bottom. Labourers could supplement their irregular income through the planting of vegetables or the exercise of grazing rights. Their position was very insecure. | Church huge landowners. Social status varied enormously. Bishops and abbots of larger religious houses were important figures-sat in House of Lords and had political rooks. Henry VII only appointed bishops who had legal training and who had administrative competence. Two most important clergymen; John Morton and Richard Fox suited both criteria. The king was reluctant to appoint many aristocratic clergymen. Martin V (pope) said king of England controlled Church not Pope. |
| Key Dates | Regional Division | Nobility: Case Study | Gentry: Case Study | Black Death & Power | Church Hierarchy |
| 1487 Act against Retaining 1489 Yorkshire Rebellion 1504 Act against Retaining 1497 Cornish Rebellion | Type of agriculture was dictated by the geography of the country. With pastoral farming in the North and West and mixed in the south. 3/4s of the population lived in the south east. Regional identity was reinforced by local government structures. Magnate influence could cut across county lines. | Giles Daubeny rebelled against Richard III in 1483. Fought for H7 at Bosworth. Held Calais for H7. Led the King's troops against the Cornish rebels in 1497. Succeeded Stanley as lord Chamberlain in 1495. | John Morton was Lord Chancellor as well as Archbishop of Canterbury until his death in 1500. Through the Church, ordinary men could get a position in government. Called 'new men' by bitter nobility. | Black Death (1348-9) decimated the labouring population of England. This meant that labour became more valuable as it was scarce and labourers could ask for higher wages. Whilst there had since been a recovery in population & a decrease in wages, it had weakened the feudal system. It also decreased the value of land leading to yeoman farmers buying land. | Pope Cardinals Archbishops Bishops Priests Catholics |
| Great Chain of Being | Subsistence Crises | Yorkshire Re | bellion (1489) | | ebellion (1497) |
| Pope / Church Monarch Nobles Knights Vassals Merchants Farmers Craftsmen | Many other countries were affected by subsistence crises at this time where there was not enough food for the population to eat due to bad harvests. John Guy argues "Tudor England's greatest success was its ability to feed itself". Thus, whilst there were 2 popular rebellions, the main | Causes: Resentment at taxation granted in 1489 to fund involvement on English forces in Brittany campaign. Richard III had been popular in the North and Yorkshire was a stronghold. Retainers allowed Northumberland to be killed by deserting him as he had deserted Richard at Bosworth. | Consequences: Earl of Surrey given control of the North. Tax not collected. Proved H7 did not hold the North. 1,500 rebels pardoned, only 6 executed. No real threat to the Tudor dynasty as too geographically remote. | Causes: Demand for extraordinary revenue to finance far-away military campaign against Scotland. Gentry started rebellion. Lack of effective local government in Cornwall. | Consequences: Closest H7 came to losing London. Henry punished only the leaders and treated the rest with leniency. Forced Henry not to collect the tax and to change policy towards Scotland. Truce of Ayton with Scotland. Marriage of Margaret to James IV. |
| Peasants Serfs | | | Details: April murder of Earl of Northumberland near Topcliffe by his peasants when his retainers deserted him in his hour of need. Most of the 5,000 rebels fled as H7's 8,000 headed North. | | o at Taunton. ation with Scottish threat which meant with it at first. e rebellion for his own ends. the seat of H7's power. time they reached Blackheath. rd Daubeney who was on his way to so suppress the rebellion. |