

# ABOUT THIS PACKET

Each reading passage in this packet allows students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

## OVERVIEW

### THE CASE

Read the case aloud to your students so they understand the mission.

### QUESTIONS

There are 18 questions to be answered by reading the passage and marking the text evidence.

### CLUES

After answering each question, the students will **erase** their answer choice on their answer sheet. After all questions have been answered, the suspect, evidence, and location will be revealed.

### GRADE LEVEL

### RANGE

4

BEGINNING

4

MIDDLE

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BEGINNING

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MIDDLE

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END

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BEGINNING

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MIDDLE

6

END

7

BEGINNING

# WAR OF THE ROSES

After England and France had fought the Hundred Years' War, English soldiers returned home to a divided country. King Henry VI was on the throne, but he wasn't a strong leader. He often had episodes of insanity where he could not run his kingdom. He had lots of people ready to help him run the kingdom during his periods of illness, and that was more of a problem than actual help.

King Henry VI had married a French princess to help soothe political relations during the Hundred Years' War. Her name was Margaret of Anjou and she had strong opinions on how Henry should run his country and she wanted to help him run her way. She had a group of advisors called the Lancastrians, that name came from Henry's last name, Lancaster. The Lancastrians were loyal to Margaret of Anjou, Henry VI's queen.

The King also had his own advisors who opposed (were against) Queen Margaret and the Lancastrians' ideas for running England. These people were led by Henry's uncle, Richard, Duke of York. He and his loyalists were called Yorkists.

During an episode of Henry's, he became sick and could not rule effectively. Richard persuaded nobles to make him "Lord Protector" which meant that he would run the country until the king was fit to rule. Richard became the temporary ruler of England for three months, but after being dismissed, Richard and the other Yorkists started to prepare for war. Richard had enjoyed his taste of power and thought he would do a better job as king than his cousin. Queen Margaret and the Lancastrians heard what the Yorkists were doing and began to prepare for war themselves. Since the Hundred Years' War had just ended, there were lots of men in England who were well-trained soldiers, so recruitment was easy. The Lancastrians chose a red rose as a symbol for their side and the Yorkists chose a white rose. This is why the war is called the Wars of the Roses. The civil war in England lasted just over 30 years. Initially, the war of the

3 What was the War of the Roses usually known as?



Brothers' War



Siblings' War



Commons' War



Uncles' War

4 Where did the War of the Roses take place?



England



France



Spain



Germany

5 Who was Henry VIII's queen?



Melanie of Wales



Mindy of York



Mary of Lancaster



Margaret of Anjou

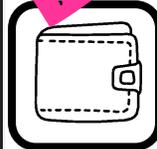
6 The War of the Roses was officially over in \_\_\_\_\_.



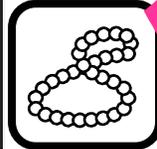
1387



1487



1587



1687

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Who often had episodes of insanity?



King Henry III



King Henry VIII



King Henry IX



King Henry VI

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What was the ruling body of the people of England called?



Congress



Elders



Pentagon



Parliament

9

Who was crowned King of England in 1485?



King Henry VI



King Henry VII



King Henry VIII



King Henry IX

10

Who defeated Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth?



King Henry VIII



Henry Tudor



Edward IV



Richard VI

# CASE FILE

Cross out the images you use as an answer. What remains will solve the case!

SUSPECTS



LOCATION



EVIDENCE



CONGRATULATIONS

YOU SOLVED  
THE CASE!



LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

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CONGRATULATIONS

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LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

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# SPARK SOME

# *creativity*

**ESCAPE  
ROOMS**

**SCAVENGER  
HUNTS**

**SPY  
MYSTERY**

**TEXT  
DETECTIVE**

**SECRET  
MESSAGES**

**THINKTIVITY**

**BREAKOUTS**

**READING  
CHALLENGE**

**INTERACTIVE  
NOTEBOOK**

**DIGITAL  
ESCAPES**

**DIGITAL  
BOARD  
GAME**

**COLOR BY  
NUMBER**

**TASK  
CARDS  
GAME**

**GOOGLE  
SLIDES**

**GOOGLE  
FORMS**

**PUZZLE  
STATIONS**

**BOOM  
CARDS**

**BLOG**