

ABOUT THIS PACKET

The Reading Passages in this packet allow students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

TASK	OVERVIEW
TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS	Using Close Reading strategies, students will use context clues to fill in the missing words in the reading passage. This will then be used as the main passage to use for the remaining tasks.
TASK 2: VOCABULARY	The vocabulary activity helps kids identify and understand new or unfamiliar words before they complete further activities.
TASK 3: RESPOND	Students will choose from three writing prompts and write their answer to just one of them using complete sentences.
TASK 4: TRUE OR FALSE	Students complete this activity to show overall comprehension of the passage. They may refer back to the passage when necessary. In the end, they add up the TRUE statements.
TASK 5: MULTIPLE CHOICE	For a quick formative check for understanding, students will answer 10 multiple choice questions.
TASK 6: WORD SEARCH	Students will search for key vocabulary words related to the topic. Several unused letters will spell out a secret message.
FINAL TASK: SUMMARY (OPTIONAL)	This is an optional summary graphic organizer to use if needed. Could be used for early finishers as an extension activity, or as a final check for understanding.

GRADE LEVEL	RANGE
4	MIDDLE
4	END
5	BEGINNING
5	MIDDLE
5	END
6	BEGINNING
6	MIDDLE
6	END
7	BEGINNING

TASK #1: FILL IN THE BLANK


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Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading.

princess	red	temporary
soldiers	advisors	three
Yorkists	leader	Margaret

After England and France had fought the Hundred Years' War, English soldiers returned to a divided country. King Henry VI was on the throne, but he wasn't a strong _____. 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 _____ 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 it her way. She had a group of _____ called the Lancastrians, that name came from Henry's last name, Lancaster. The Lancastrians were loyal to _____ 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 cousin Richard, Duke of York. He and his loyalists were called _____.

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 ruler of England for _____ 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 _____ so recruitment was easy. The Lancastrians chose a _____ rose as a symbol for their side and the Yorkists chose a white rose. This is why the war is called _____.

TASK #4: TRUE OR FALSE

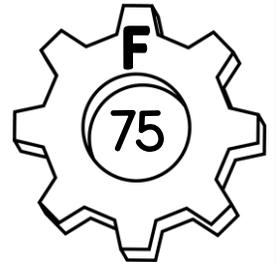


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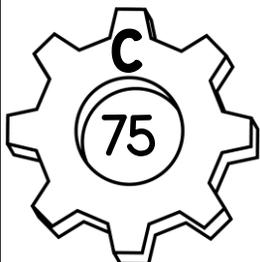
Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color the gear that corresponds to that question. If it is false, cross out the gear. When you are finished add the **TOTAL** of ALL TRUE gears.



A. The Lancastrians chose a red rose as a symbol for their side.

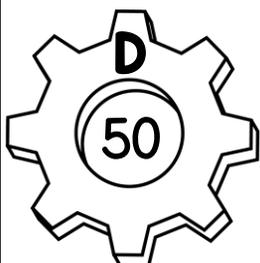


B. Henry IV was the first Yorkist to become a king.

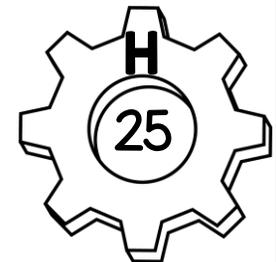


C. King Henry VII was crowned as King of England in 1485.

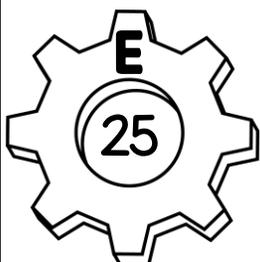
D. Battles started happening between the two sides at Sam Albans on May 22, 1455.



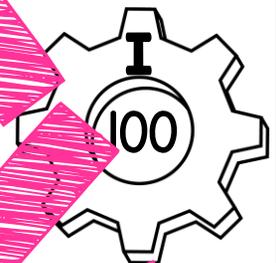
E. King Henry VI married Margaret of Anjou.



F. King Richard III often had episodes of insanity.

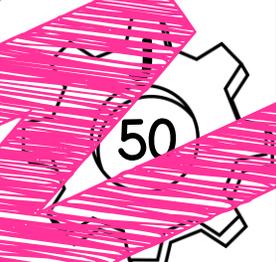


G. The Yorkists were loyal to Margaret of Anjou.



H. Richard became the temporary ruler of England for three months.

I. The War of the Roses was a civil war in England that lasted just over 30 years.



J. The War of the Roses was officially over in 1496.

TOTAL: _____

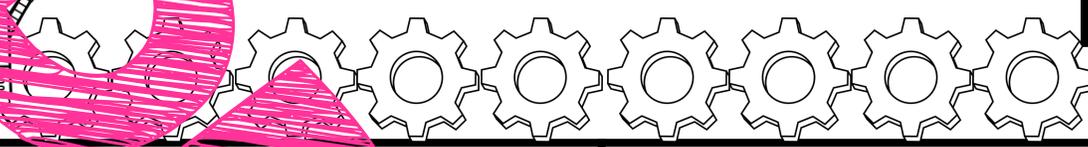
TASK #5: MULTIPLE CHOICE



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Complete the multiple choice questions below by circling the correct answer.



1. Where did the War of the Roses take place?

- A. Spain
- B. Germany
- C. France
- D. England

2. How long did the War of the Roses last?

- A. Over 10 years
- B. Over 20 years
- C. Over 30 years
- D. Over 40 years

3. Who often had episodes of insanity?

- A. Henry VI
- B. Henry VII
- C. Henry VIII
- D. Henry IX

4. Who defeated Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth?

- A. Henry III
- B. Edward Lancaster
- C. Henry Tudor
- D. Henry York

5. Who was Henry VI's queen?

- A. Margaret of Anjou
- B. Madeline of York
- C. Elizabeth of Andalusia
- D. Mary of Lancaster

6. What does the word 'oppose' mean?

- A. To be in favor of
- B. To be against
- C. To refuse to use
- D. To cancel

7. Initially, the War of the Roses was known as "The ___' War."

- A. Uncles
- B. Brothers
- C. Siblings
- D. Cousins

8. Battles started happening between the two sides at Saint ____.

- A. Eridus
- B. Albans
- C. Augustine
- D. Bosworth

9. Richard became the temporary ruler of England for ___ months.

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 7
- D. 9

10. What word means to leave the country for safety?

- A. Repeal
- B. Boycott
- C. Flee
- D. Trireme

BOT CARDS

Complete all 6 tasks correctly, then color and assemble your robot.



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