

Henry VIII- A new or an old king? Instructions

1) Read the boxes below. Decide if they refer to:

- War
- Power
- Religion
- Caring for the people
- Science

He spent a lot of time and money fighting France, like medieval kings. He never won!	One of his heroes was Henry V, the last English king to win great victories in France.	When Henry heard about the new religious idea of Protestantism, he wrote a book saying it was wrong, and people should stay Catholic.
Henry didn't send any explorers to America, unlike the king of Spain.	When the Pope refused to end his marriage to Catherine of Aragon, he left the Catholic Church, and created the Church of England.	Henry closed all the monasteries, where monks lived. He did this even though they helped ordinary people.
When he finally did have a son, he made sure that son got a good education.	He took all the land from the monasteries, and kept it for himself.	Henry defeated a rebellion by those who wanted to keep the monasteries open.

2) Now decide which boxes show Henry as a new type of king, or still a medieval king.

3) Where would you put Henry VIII on this line?

Henry was a new type of king

Henry was still like a medieval king

4) Explain your decision.