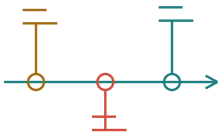
Henry VIII & Church Authority



Name _____ Date _____

1 Recall, then make a connection.

Start from memory. Write a meaning or quick example for each term.

Supremacy	Ecclesiastical	Dissolution

Connect supremacy, ecclesiastical authority, and dissolution. Why should a historian distinguish a change in legal authority from changes in property and the experiences of local communities?

Context for the task

Henry VIII's break with papal authority involved dynastic, religious, legal, and political issues. The 1534 Act of Supremacy recognized the king as supreme head of the Church of England. It changed the location of religious authority in England; it did not immediately make every person's belief identical or settle every doctrinal question.

2 Build the sequence.

The dated file sequence

Anchors: 1534 Act of Supremacy; 1535 Valor Ecclesiasticus; 1536 law affecting smaller monasteries; 1539 legislation associated with further dissolutions.

Put the files in chronological order.

A. 1535: Valor Ecclesiasticus survey.

B. 1536: Legislation affecting smaller monasteries.

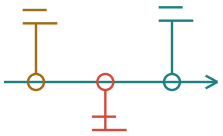
C. 1539: Further dissolution legislation.

D. 1534: Act of Supremacy.

Sequence: _____ -> _____ -> _____ -> _____

Explain one connection between two neighboring steps.

Evidence, application & transfer.



3 Read the evidence closely.

Test the resource claim

Claim: "Institutional changes could increase royal control over resources."

Select all evidence relevant to that claim.

A. Legal records placing an institution under royal authority.

B. Records transferring its property under the new arrangements.

C. A portrait showing Henry in expensive clothing.

D. A modern opinion about the king's personality.

Selections: _____ Explain your reasoning:

4 Apply the idea.

The village question

A royal document orders a closure. You want to know how nearby residents experienced it.

Which next source is most useful?

A. Local accounts, petitions, and records of services before and after closure.

B. Another royal portrait with the same title.

C. An assumption that all residents responded identically.

My choice: _____ Explain why it fits:

5 Carry the idea forward.

Write an archive summary connecting a change in authority to a change in resources. Use two dated steps and explain why a local consequence cannot be inferred from the king's intentions alone.