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TEACHERS NOTES

Holbein's Portrait - Henry VIII

These activities are designed for:

Key Stage 3 Citizenship, particularly for the QCA Unit 9, Section 2 (How is the media used to promote causes and campaigns).

Key Stage 3 History, particularly for QCA Unit 7 (Images of an age: what can we learn from portraits 1500-1750?).

Key Stage 2 History, particularly QCA Unit 8 (What are the differences between the lives of rich and poor people in Tudor times?).

Please refer to the Pupil Activities download for handouts and instructions on each activity.

For the first activity you will have to put together a collection of portraits. This should be a mixture of historical and contemporary figures and also a mixture of well-known and less well-known characters. There should be at least five portraits for each group within the classroom.

After all of the activities have been completed then each group should have the opportunity to report back on their findings. All of these activities can be used as the basis for a more in-depth look at Tudor, Stuart and Hanoverian portraiture. High quality images and portraits can be viewed on The National Portrait Gallery website: <http://www.npg.org.uk/>

Alternatively you can find images by exploring the ICONS website.

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