

# Was Henry VIII a hero or a monster?



Catherine of Aragon



Anne Boleyn



Jane Seymour



Anne of Cleves



Catherine Howard



Catherine Parr

## Key Terms:

**Heir:** Next in line to the throne

**Catholic:** Member of the Church of Rome.

**Protestant** – Member of the Church of England

**Mary Rose** – Henry's flagship. Sank in 1545.

**Monastery** – Where Monks lived and worshipped.

**Annulment** - Divorce or cancelling of a marriage.

**Dissolution** – Closure or elimination.

**Beheaded** – Execution by axe or sword.

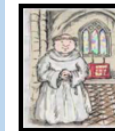


## Why were the monasteries closed?

### Role of Monasteries in the middle ages:

- Looked after Travellers
- Educate local children
- Copy out manuscripts
- Care for the sick and needy

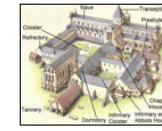
### Why does Henry not like the monasteries?



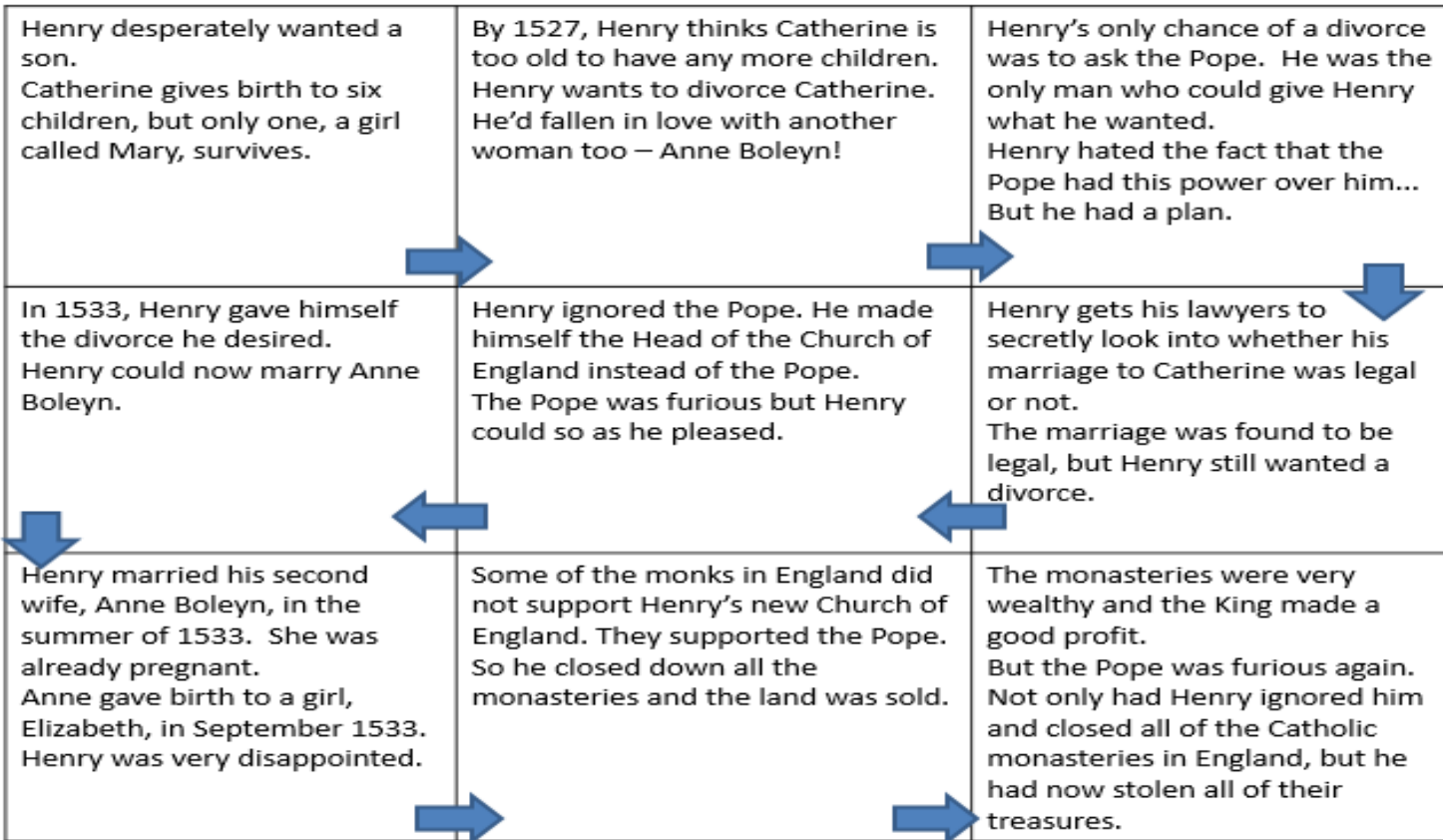
Monks supported the Pope not the King



Monasteries owned a lot of land



Monasteries were very rich



### Closure of the monasteries:

Relations between the Pope ( the head of the Catholic church) and Henry were not good.

Henry was always short of money. He decided to carry out a survey to see how much money the church had.

This survey was called *Valor Ecclesiasticus* and was published in 1535.

It showed that the church owned a quarter of all the land in England at that time. Many of the monasteries were also rich. They used gold cups and other vessels in many of their services.

The monasteries took their orders from the Pope in Rome, not from Henry. Henry took away the land from the monasteries.

Henry took away the stone from the buildings and the lead from the roofs and sold it.

He melted down all the gold cups and made money from that.

Henry started the Church of England and made himself the head of this new religion