

Roses at War

Introduction

- **Level:** B1
- **Skills:** Writing
- **Topics:** Vocabulary
- **Merging subjects:** History, IT.

The enigma

- **Keywords**

The players open a trunk (or similar) linked to a previous enigma. They will see the rose and a photo of a battle. As a first step they have to figure out the historic event linked to the photos. As a second step, they must order the pieces of paper with the years on and write down what info they have found out. They will receive a call from an NPC (after some minutes of starting the investigation) telling that he or she is a history student and that they need the help of the players. They have to tell the NPC about a historical event that they know and players take turns to read the name of the historical event, the year and what happened. The NPC will lead them to the next enigma when he has enough information about the Wars of the Roses.

- **Toolbox**

A small trunk (or similar), pen & paper, a rose & photo of a battle and different papers with dates on.



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- **Description of the enigma**

Find out the historical event showed in the picture and the time period.

Order the years and write down what happened in those dates.



10 October 1460.

(A: The return of Richard of York who was declared heir to the throne. In response, the Queen raised a new army.)

4 March 1461.

(A: Edward of York, Edward IV, proclaimed king in London.)

24 June 1465.

(A: Henry VI was captured and imprisoned in the Tower of London.)

21- 22 May 1471.

(A: Henry VI was killed in the Tower of London. Henry Tudor, the Earl of Richmond and Lancastrian claimant to the throne, fled to France.)

22 August 1485.

(A: Battle of Bosworth. King Richard III is killed and the Lancastrian Henry Tudor became King Henry VII.)



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Hints

There can be a history book laying around for the students to find in case they need to look anything up.

More information

Possible restrictions

Dyslexic students might find it hard with so many numbers.

Players might turn to their native language to call out the numbers.

References

✓ Information about the 'War of the Roses'

<https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/HistoryofEngland/The-Wars-of-the-Roses/>

