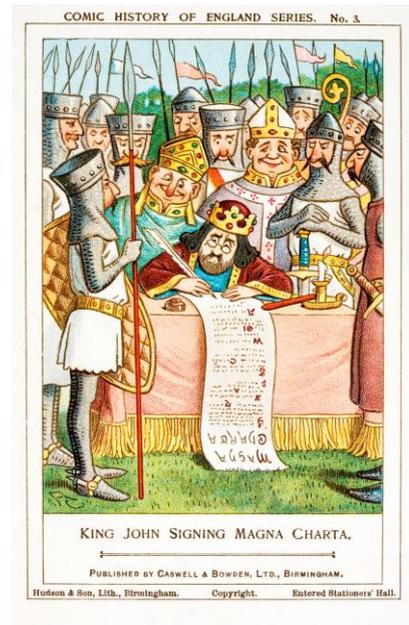


Warmer – Cartoon

1. Look at the picture. Who are the people? What are they doing? Are they happy? Where do you think they are?
2. When do you think this happened?
 - a. 2015 b. 1615 c. 1215



Task 1 – Vocabulary

1. Match the words below to the meaning on the right.

a widow	Money that you pay to the
government.	a trial
a sheriff	Rule the government makes.
to inherit	A place that people might go when they break the law.
a measure	When people decide if someone broke the law or not.
a prison	An old/American word for police officer.
taxes	Things that someone owns.
law	A woman whose husband is dead.
possessions	To get a house or money from someone when they die.
a fine	Money that you pay when you break a law.
	An amount of something to check its size – e.g. kilograms or litres.

2. Fill in the gaps with the words from above.

Before the Magna Carta

Before King John sealed the Magna Carta he was not a fair king. Rich people were angry because he made them pay him high (a)_____. John made criminals pay unfair (b)_____ for small crimes. His (c)_____ took people’s possessions and didn’t know the (d)_____. They put people in prison with no (e)_____ as well. At this time in England every shop at the market had a different (f)_____ for flour and beer so sometimes people paid too much. When a woman’s husband died she did not (g)_____ his home or (h)_____. As a (i)_____, the women often had to marry again. People made John seal the Magna Carta to promise things would change.

3. Read the text again. What problems did England have before the Magna Carta?

Task 2 – Reading comprehension

1. Read the text below. What do you think it is? Who do you think wrote it? Why do you think they wrote it? When do you think they wrote it?

1. The English Church will be free.
2. A widow will inherit her husband's possessions. She won't need to marry again.
3. All cities and towns will be free.
4. Poor people will not have to pay very large fines for small crimes.
5. Sheriffs will not take people's possessions without permission.
6. There will be only one measure for corn and one measure for beer.
7. Every man or woman will have a fair trial.
8. Towns will not have to build bridges over rivers.
9. Sheriffs will know the law and will be fair.
10. Daughters of rich families will not be married to poor families.

And life in England will be fair.

2. In 1215 rich people were angry at King John. They made him make some promises to the people of England. 10 of these promises are written above. Read them again. Do you think they are similar to today's laws? Are any of them strange to you?
3. Read the promises above again. Tick the promises that King John made.
 - a. When a woman's husband dies she will have to marry another man. **X**
 - b. The police will not take people's things without asking. ✓
 - c. People who steal bread will pay a very large fine.
 - d. Shops will measure corn and beer the same way.
 - e. People will go to court before they go to prison.
 - f. Towns will have to build bridges.
 - g. The police will know the law.
 - h. Rich women will have to marry poor men.

4. What is a promise?
- Something that you say you are going to do.
 - Something that you did.
 - Something that you are doing now.

Task 3 – Grammar: 'Will' for promises

- a. Are the statements below:
- Something that you did.
 - Something that you are doing now.
 - Something that you say you are going to do.

King John: 'The English Church *will be* free.'

King John: 'Poor people *won't pay* large fines.'

King John: 'Sheriffs *will not take* people's possessions without permission.'

- b. Which type of word comes after 'will'?
- c. How do you make the negative form of 'will'?

Task 3 – Grammar: 'will' for promises (continued)

- d. Fill in the blanks using *will/won't* and a word from the box below.

have	go	measure	inherit
be	leave	break	take

- i. **Criminal:** I won't break the law again. (negative)
- ii. **Sheriff:** You _____ a fair trial. (positive)
- iii. **Husband:** When I die, I _____ you my house and my money. (positive)
- iv. **King John:** People _____ to prison for small crimes. (negative)
- v. **Shopkeeper:** We _____ beer using the same size of cup. (positive)
- vi. **Father:** You _____ this watch when I die. (positive)
- vii. **Sheriff:** I _____ your possessions. (negative)
- viii. **King John:** My laws _____ fair. (positive)

Task 4 – Promises roleplays

Work with a partner. Fold the paper down the middle. One student should follow the instructions for A, and the student should follow the instructions for B.

A	B
<p>1 Sister: Your brother never buys your father a birthday present. It is your father’s birthday on Saturday. Ask him to buy a present.</p>	<p>1 Brother: It is your father’s birthday on Saturday. Make your sister a promise.</p>
<p>2 Father: You need help painting your house. Ask your son to help you.</p>	<p>2 Son: Your father needs help painting his house. Make him a promise.</p>
<p>3 Sister: Your brother needs to use the family computer tonight. Make him a promise.</p>	<p>3 Brother: You need to use the family computer tonight. Ask her if she can finish her homework before 5pm.</p>
<p>4 Friend A: You gave your friend £100 last week. You need it back today. Ask your friend for it.</p>	<p>4 Friend B: Your friend gave you £100 last week. They need it back today. Make your friend a promise.</p>
<p>5 Daughter: You live in a different country to your mother. You never email her. Make your mother a promise.</p>	<p>5 Mother: Your daughter lives in another country. She never emails you. Telephone her and ask her to email you more.</p>
<p>6 Doctor: A patient smokes 40 cigarettes a day. Ask them to stop smoking.</p>	<p>6 Patient: You smoke 40 cigarettes a day. Make your doctor a promise.</p>
<p>7 Flatmate B: You never clean the house. Make your flatmate a promise.</p>	<p>7 Flatmate A: Your flatmate never cleans the house. Ask them to clean the house</p>
<p>8 Dentist: A patient has black teeth. Ask them to brush their teeth more and stop eating sugar.</p>	<p>8 Patient: Your teeth are black. Make your dentist a promise.</p>