

Homework- Magna Carta

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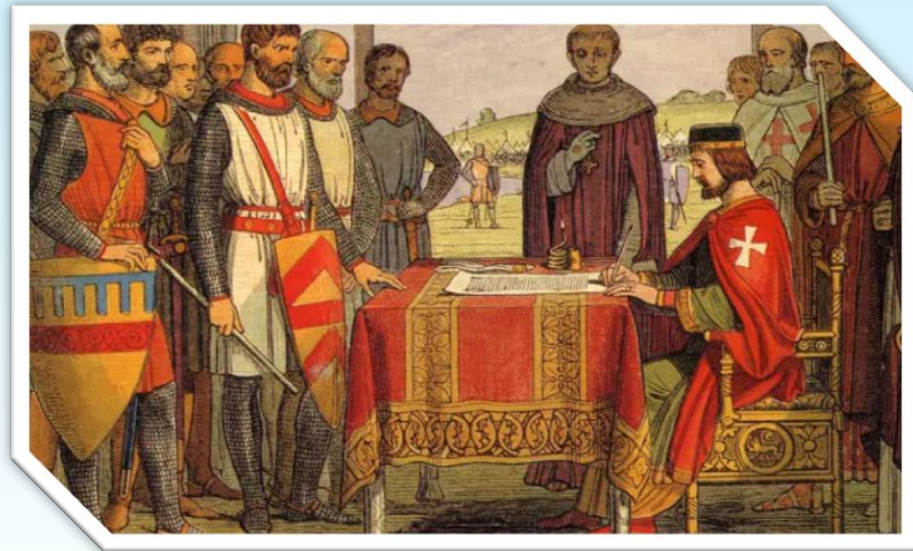
- One of the most famous documents in the world is Magna Carta, meaning the Great Charter which has inspired people across the centuries.



- Back in medieval England in 1215, King John was one of the worst kings in history. He imposed heavy taxes on his barons and he punished them severely or seized their property if they refused to pay. Therefore, the barons took over London and forced the King to negotiate. The result of this negotiation was Magna Carta, the symbol of liberty around the world.



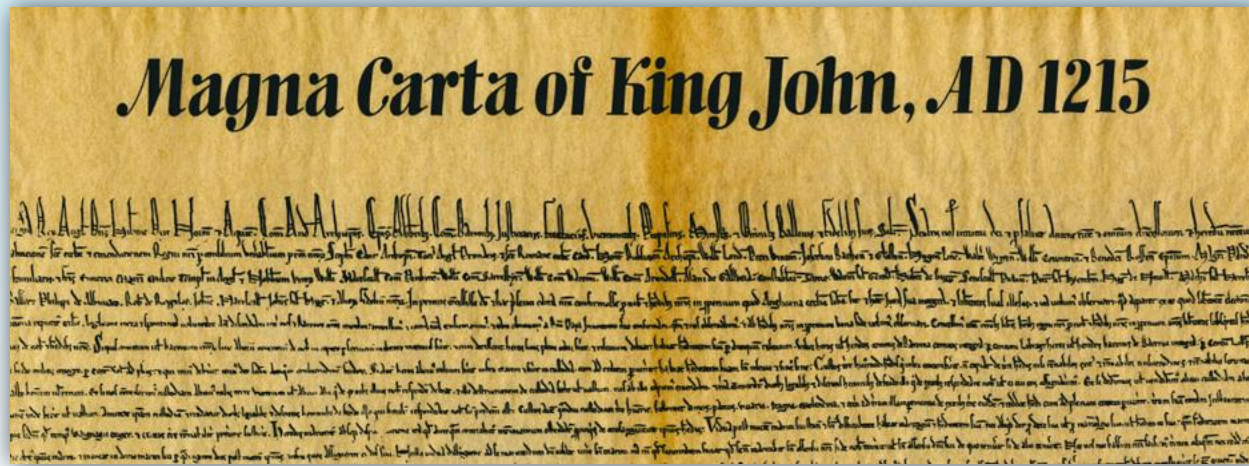
- For the first time, it gave all 'free men' the right to justice and a fair trial. However, this was not very liberal because it only applied to 'free men' and the vast majority of people in 1215 were not free peasants who were ruled over by their landowners.



- Although Magna Carta was intended to create peace, the Pope declared the Charter invalid and there was a civil war. When king John died and his son took the throne, Magna Carta was reissued to keep the peace.



- It has been influential for 800 years and we can see it in the United States Bill of Rights (1791) as well as in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) and the European Convention on Human Rights (1950). What started out as a document of specific complaints from a group of barons turned into an international symbol of liberty without which we might not have the rights we do nowadays.



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