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TUDOR EXPRESS

QUEEN BOLEYN GETS LOCKED IN

Queen Anne – aged 27- claims that she was busy doing her queenly duties and only sought to please her king when he began his wild accusations. She profusely protests her innocence and although apologises for her behaviour when she was accused, believes that the King is lying because he no longer loves her and desires to marry another. Despite this, the King has made no secret about how he feels. King Henry stated, “As if conspiring against me wasn’t enough, she tried to hide her horrid ways; lied to my face; accused me of wanting another queen; and argued with her King! These are not acts of an innocent, loyal queen: she is deceitful and she will have her comeuppance!”



Once he had confronted the Queen, these events were reported to the royal court by the King’s guard. The King’s guard told the court that the King had found evidence (in the Queen’s chamber) that she had been conspiring against him with another man with the aim of throwing him off the throne. Upon confronting the Queen, she denied everything- showing her treacherous qualities- and argued with the King making him blind with rage. Not only this, but the Queen questioned the King’s sanity, suggesting he had imagined finding incriminating evidence in her chambers.

When confronted, the Queen immediately denied all the accusations thrown at her by the King. This was to no avail as the King had already started criminal proceedings by sending his guard to the royal court. Before being locked away, the Queen told reporters, “I begged my King for mercy but he wasn’t budging! I tried everything but he wouldn’t listen to reason. He was obsessing over things that weren’t true!” The Queen was then duly arrested by the King’s guards and taken to the Tower of London to await her trial and punishment.

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Following the Queen's arrest (up to now) the King's guard have advised all to stay away from the castle as the King is still seething an about the situation. It is thought this advice will be lifted following the end of the trial and all can return to normal as any bad mood will be extinguished once King Henry can begin the hunt for a new Queen.

Our reporter stated that the Queen's sister has told the court that there is conclusive proof to suggest that her sister was not only a loyal queen to her king but also that the King himself had been the deceitful, treacherous liar. Before this event, the King and Queen had appeared in public seemingly happy and content with one another.

Furthermore, other than conducting her queenly duties, there is little opportunity for the Queen to meet and conspire against the King. Her sister further stated that she is completely in remorse – and highly embarrassed - for being argumentative and wants nothing more than for her King to accept her apology so everyone can move on with their lives.



Shock has rippled through our great city since the event: hundreds have gathered outside the royal court to hear the verdict. Residents of London share mixed views about the situation and are hoping a suitable outcome will arise. It is thought that the only options are that the Queen will spend her days locked away in the Tower of London or it will be off with her head. Either way, she will no longer sit beside the King on the throne. The royal court are still yet to convene however it is thought that the king will have a heavy sway over their decision. Please purchase tomorrow's early edition to find out the final outcome.

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QUESTIONS

1. Who was Queen Boleyn married too?

2. Find and copy two words used to describe the Queen in the newspaper report.

1. _____

2. _____

3. Complete the table by selecting evidence from the text.

	Evidence
She committed the crime.	
She did not commit the crime.	

4. "Upon confronting the Queen, she denied everything- showing her treacherous qualities- and argued with the King making him blind with rage."

What does this suggest about how the writer views the Queen?

5. Tick two possible outcomes of the trial

- Spend her life in the Tower of London
- A few years in prison
- A divorce from the King
- Execution

6. Tick the word that means the Queen regrets her actions.

- Embarrassed
- Sway
- Remorse
- Conclusive

7. “When confronted, the Queen immediately denied all the accusations thrown at her by the King. This was to no avail...”

What does this mean?

8. Complete the table.

Statement	True	False
The Queen suggested that the King wasn't very well.		
The King is very relaxed about the situation.		
The Queen is being kept in the castle until her trial.		
The Royal Court is yet to make a decision.		

9. “The royal court is still yet to convene; however it is thought that the King will have a heavy sway over their decision...”

Explain what this means.

ANSWERS

1. Who was Queen Boleyn married too?

King Henry VIII

2. Find and copy two words used to describe the Queen in the newspaper report.

1. *deceitful*

2. *loyal*

3. Complete the table by selecting evidence from the text.

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She did not commit the crime.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “...there is conclusive proof to suggest that her sister was not only a loyal queen to her king but also that the King himself had been the deceitful, treacherous liar.” “Furthermore, other than conducting her queenly duties, there is little opportunity for the Queen to meet and conspire against the King.”

4. "Upon confronting the Queen, she denied everything- showing her treacherous qualities- and argued with the King making him blind with rage."

What does this suggest about how the writer views the Queen?

In the text it says that the Queen has shown 'her treacherous' ways suggesting that the writer believes the Queen is a liar and is guilty of the crimes.

5. Tick two possible outcomes of the trial

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| Spend her life in the Tower of London | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| A few years in prison | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| Execution | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

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| Embarrassed | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| Conclusive | <input type="checkbox"/> |

7. "When confronted, the Queen immediately denied all the accusations thrown at her by the King. This was to no avail..."

What does this mean?

The Queen denied what the King was accusing her of but it didn't work.

8. Complete the table.

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The King is very relaxed about the situation.		✓
The Queen is being kept in the castle until her trial.		✓
The Royal Court is yet to make a decision.	✓	

9. "The royal court is still yet to convene; however it is thought that the King will have a heavy sway over their decision..."

Explain what this means.

It means the King will be able to influence the royal court's decision. He will be able to get the outcome he wants (or similar).