

Shakespeare and Henry V

This section explores the ways in which common perceptions about Henry V and his life were largely formed by the words of William Shakespeare over 150 years after the King's death, and whether these perceptions are accurate. Most people's ideas about Henry V are down to the fact that William Shakespeare chose to write a play about the iconic King, and it's that image that most of us know - but how much of Shakespeare's portrayal of the King was true to life, and why did the playwright choose to write about Henry V, as opposed to any other?



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