

Inside the body of Henry VIII

PART 1

Vocabulary 1: Match the words from the box with their explanations below. There are 4 extra words which don't suit the explanations. Use dictionaries for help.

literally, notorious, conceive (babies), insight, obese, syphilis, diabetes, tuberculosis (TB), tyrant, thrive, autopsy, overindulgence

- an examination of the body after death to determine the cause of death or the character and extent of changes produced by disease
- (the ability to have) a clear, deep, and sometimes sudden understanding of a complicated problem or situation
- a disease caught during sexual activity with an infected person which spreads slowly from the sex organs to all parts of the body
- a disease in which the body cannot control the level of sugar in the blood
- allowing yourself (or someone else) to have too much of something enjoyable, especially food or drink
- to grow, develop, or be successful
- a serious disease that can attack many parts of a person's body, especially their lungs
- to become pregnant, or to cause a baby to begin to form

Vocabulary 2: Match the pairs of words

conduct	legs
ulcerated	heir /eə/
(to be of) paramount	a fever
male	about 0,5 kilo
contract	experiments
infectious	importance
pass	infections
1 pound	disease

Look at the title at the top of the page and at the vocabulary in the exercises above. Can you guess what the film will be about?.....

Time for watching :)

TASK 1: Watch the first fragment of a documentary about king Henry VIII and decide if the statements are true or false.

True/False

- ___ Henry VIII's weight was about 181 kilo when he died.
- ___ Archive medical records tell us only about the king's physical illnesses.
- ___ Henry VIII died in the 15th century.
- ___ Henry's health was important to his friends overseas and also to England's ambassadors.
- ___ Tuberculosis is an infectious disease.
- ___ Henry was 10 years old when he succeeded to the throne.
- ___ When Henry's father was ill with tuberculosis, his elder brother Arthur died of high temperature.
- ___ Henry contracted tuberculosis from his father.

Compare your answers with a partner.

TASK 2: Now listen again. While listening for the second time, check your answers and underline the correct option in the sentences below.

- Henry VIII was England's biggest monarch, because he was *charming /extremely fat*.
- Before death he couldn't *move / walk*, and he could hardly *see / hear*.
- The Tudor dynasty needed to *fight tuberculosis / have male heirs* in order to develop successfully.