

OUTLINE PROPOSAL FORM

for Cambridge Pre-U

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Syllabus Title	History	Syllabus Code	9769
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Title of Proposal	To what extent did Henry II create an 'empire'?

Details of Proposal (see over)	
[Special subject: 5b The Crusades]	
Aim:	
<p>In my investigation I will be looking at the extent to which we can call the Angevin Empire an 'empire' or whether it is in fact a hegemony. Through the course of my research I will be looking at the framework of each region in the Angevin Empire and in doing so look to define what the lands of Henry II are. However, another area that I will be concerned by is whether Henry II's often praised rule will be devalued by a different definition and, to the same extent, the lands that he acquired during his reign. In order to achieve clarity in the subject I will have to further define what makes a medieval empire, as the definition has become warped in modern times and bares less resemblance to what made an empire during the medieval period. In order to accomplish this I will be using contextual evidence from the reign of Henry II and evidence from other empires that were created or established around this time.</p>	
Bibliography:	
Richard Barber, 'Henry Plantagenet: A Biography of Henry II of England' Robert Bartlett, 'England under the Norman and Angevin Kings-1075-1225' Frank Barlow, 'The Feudal Kingdom of England, 1042-1216' David Carpenter, 'The Struggle for Mastery' John Gillingham, 'The Angevin Empire' John T. Appleby, 'Henry II, The Vanquished King' Richard Huscroft, 'Ruling England, 1042-1217' Marc Bloch, 'Feudal Society' W.L. Warren, 'Henry II'	
	Date

Comments:	
Joe: I am still not completely convinced by your choice of title. The main issue with this submission is that you don't offer much of an idea of the criteria you are going to use to assess a medieval empire. Indeed, there is a great deal of debate, which would suggest that even by medieval standards, it is not possible to consider it as such. I am also concerned that your approach might suggest rather a lot of description. I wonder if you might consider 'To what extent were the problems encountered by Henry II in ruling his lands caused by their sheer diversity?' Please discuss this with your teacher. I would prefer that you adopt my title, but if you can convince your teacher that your original title will work, you can continue.	
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