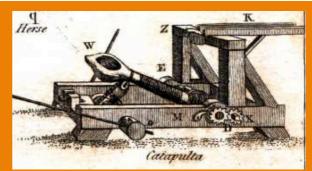
The bundred years War

friction | escalating hostility | power | alliances | plunder | conquest | siege | rivalry campaign | war-weary | succession to the throne | devastation | mercenaries

Using both books and internet sites, carry out research on the bitter and destructive battles that made up the Hundred Years War. Keep a **bibliography** of all the sources used.

Your assignment should include:

- A picture or quotation from a primary source, along with your evaluation of the source. To what extent do you believe the source is valuable, accurate and useful? In what ways is it limited? A possible choice for a documentary source could be Jean Froissart's accounts of some battles.
- A description of castle and siege warfare as it was carried out during the War, based on the work done in class and the film: "Sieges: Castles at War".



How were catapults and similar **siege** weapons used to attack castles and how successful were they?

- An account of EITHER a pivotal battle/event (eg. Crécy, Poitiers, Agincourt, Siege of Orleans, etc.) OR person (eg. Edward the Black Prince, Richard II, Joan of Arc, Charles VI, etc.) OR a significant weapon (longbow, trebuchet, crossbow, the effects of the eventual introduction of gunpowder, etc.)
- Two to three paragraphs in which you reach some conclusions about what the Hundred Years War reveals about the medieval period: e.g. nature of medieval warfare; the tendency to use violent means to resolve (or fail to resolve) disputes; the behaviour of knights (was it really chivalrous or not?); the treatment of the common people; did this protracted set of battles promote a medieval "arms race"? etc.





What was it like to be a **common person** affected by this long **struggle for power**?