

A	Henry adored her because she was young and full of fun.
B	Sadly she died twelve days later.
C	She was a mature, educated woman who was both wife and nurse to Henry in his last years.
D	Henry divorced her after only six months.
E	Henry soon tired of her when she also failed to give him a son.
F	Who was head of the Catholic Church.

## The Six Wives of Henry VIII

### *1st Wife — Catherine of Aragon*

Henry was devoted to Catherine for 18 years. Catherine had a daughter called Mary, but because she did not give Henry a son and heir, he divorced her. The Pope,  did not agree with divorce, so he cut Henry off.

### *2nd Wife — Anne Boleyn*

Henry made himself head of the Church of England so that he could marry the ambitious Anne Boleyn. She had a daughter called Elizabeth.  Henry had Anne executed on a false charge.

### *3rd Wife — Jane Seymour*

Jane was quiet and gentle, a complete contrast to Anne. She soon gave birth to Henry's first son Prince Edward.  Henry was too grief stricken to attend Jane's funeral as she was the love of his life.

### *4th Wife — Anne of Cleves*

Henry married Anne of Cleves to strengthen links with Germany. He fell for her portrait but when he met her he said she 'looked like a horse'.  Anne lived out her days in comfort as the 'King's sister'.

### *5th Wife — Catherine Howard*

Catherine was only nineteen when she married the fifty year old King.  However, when Henry discovered that she had boyfriends of her own age he arranged for her to be executed.

### *6th Wife — Catherine Parr*

Catherine had already been widowed twice when she married Henry.  She soothed and humoured him and was a good step-mother to his three children.