

Lady Amabel Yorke – Worksheet 2

Using the transcript from Lady Amabel Yorke's diary, see how quickly you can answer the following questions:



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 Tuesday, Jan. 31st
 visited in the Morning Dr. Hurdwicke
 & Mr. B. Yorke who were out, &
 Mr. B. Yorke who was at home.
 Went at Night to Dr. Grogg's met
 Dr. Grantham for the 1st Time since
 her Illness.

Wednesday, Feb. th. 1st
 The Parliament met Yesterday
 The King's Speech breathes Peace
 & Tranquillity, & Reduction of
 Establishments, & Increase of
 Revenue & Hopes that the
 Parliament will find it
 possible to reduce Taxes.

No Opposition in the H. of Lords
 My Cousin Charles mov'd in the H. of
 Commons, & I hear acquitted himself
 well. Mr. Gray mov'd an Amend-
 = ment concerning the Indian War.

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 Mr. Fox condemn'd the latter strongly,
 & talk'd against the Russian
 Negotiation, but that Business
 seems reserv'd for another Day.
 Mr. Pitt after answering him
 inform'd the House that he
 thought Taxes might be taken
 off to the Amount of 2000000^l.
 & propos'd the Tax on ~~Waggons~~
 on Waggons, that on Mail-
 = vans, & the House-Tax on
 Stairs below y Windows.
 The House seem'd to like
 this Good News, & the Majority
 against the Amendment was large.

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1. What do you learn about Lady Grantham's health?

2. What date did Parliament meet?

3. What relative of Lady Amabel Yorke's moved in the House of Commons?

4. Which War is discussed?

5. Which member of the Royal Family gave a speech?

6. What part of the property was taken into account, when considering taxes?

For the following questions, you may need to do some research using the

Internet, or history books to find the answers:

1. Who was King at the time?	
2. What years did the Indian War go from and to?	
3. What was happening in Europe around 1792?	
4. What might the 'Russian Negotiations' refer to?	

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