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Battle of Hastings

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Excommunication of King John, Signing of Magna Carta, and First English Parliament

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Battle of Crécy (p. 82)

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