

SPECIAL QUIZ! 800 YEARS OF THE MAGNA CARTA...

15 June 2015 - It's 800 years to the day that the Magna Carta was signed. A momentous document, the Great Charter signed by King John in 1215 was supposed to be something of a peace treaty between the unrated King and a barrage of rebellious barons.

Needless to say, in a moment of inspiration - that can only be likened to the Liberal Democrats and tuition fees - both parties reneged on their promises and the whole shenanigans descended into the First Barons' War.

Here are the answers to the quiz on my blog:

- 1. The Magna Carta was signed in 1215, who was the monarch of England at the time?** King John
- 2. In what language is the Magna Carta written?** Latin
- 3. The document was drafted by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Of what faith was the Archbishop at the time of the Magna Carta?** Catholic
- 4. A replica of the Magna Carta can be found in which Washington D.C. building?** US Capitol
- 5. The Magna Carta in some ways fulfilled the role of a census. How often is a census conducted in modern Britain?** Every 10 years
- 6. The King at the time of the Magna Carta was the third Plantagenet King of England. His predecessor was his brother, Richard the what?** Lionheart
- 7. Once signed, the Magna Carta was displayed in Parliament for 3 months for all to see. True or False?** False, Parliament was first introduced to England in 1295 by King Edward I
- 8. What is the political method by which a general public votes on political issues or elects representatives to vote on their behalf?** Aristocracy

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