

Never Trust a King

Am Em/G F G

Henry was a strong and energetic king

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But he died unhappily

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Knowing rebellion and untrusted sons

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Oh no! It's the Plantagenets

Richard the Lionheart always on crusade

Headed for Jerusalem

Rarely in England, the eternal soldier king

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So never trust a king who is sitting in his hall

Em G D E

Never trust a king at all

John, unpleasant and disliked by everyone

Suffered baron hate

Alienated monarch, Magna Carta man

Oh no! It's the Plantagenets

Henry three was only nine when he gained the crown

Never learned to rule

Fighting useless wars, raising taxes on the poor

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Edward, the great reformer making up new laws

'The Hammer of the Scots'

Expelling Jews from England, as killers of the Christ

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Then a second Edward, the silliest of kings

Simply had no interest

Murdered on a red hot spitting iron in 1327

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Edward number three became a king at just 14

Keeping barons happy

Provoked a hundred years of war, witnessed the Black Death

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A final Richard, crowned at ten, sitting on the throne

The peasants are revolting

Arrogant and haughty, abusing all his powers

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