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the decisive
weapon in the
Battle Of
Agincourt ?

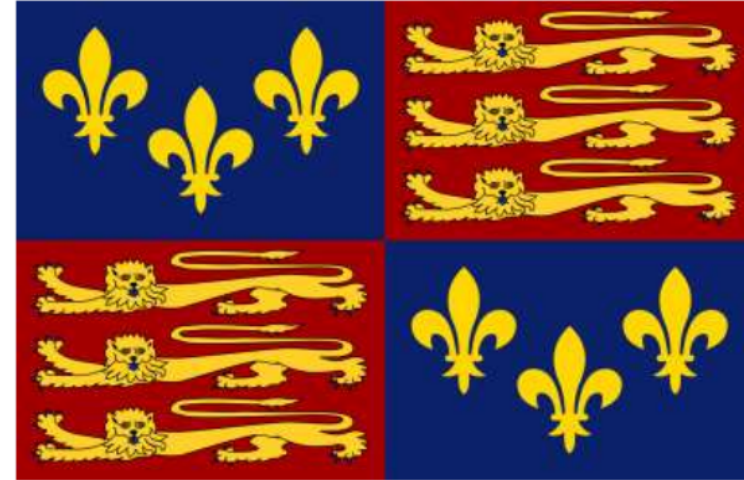


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100 Year War

- Major conflict between England and France
- Took place (1337–1453).



King Henry V

- Became king at 26
- Led 2 successful invasions of France
- One of the most renowned kings in English history



Siege of Harfleur

- Very strategic takeover
- Lasted 6 weeks
- 1/3 of Henry's army was lost



The Battle of Agincourt

- Departed Harfleur and marched toward Calais
- English army: 1000 knights and 5000 archers
- French army: 20,000 – 30,000 men





BATTLE OF AGINCOURT

Oct. 25th 1415.

Reference

ENGLISH



- AA *Archers in wedges*
B *English dismounted men-at-arms
in line between wedges*

FRENCH



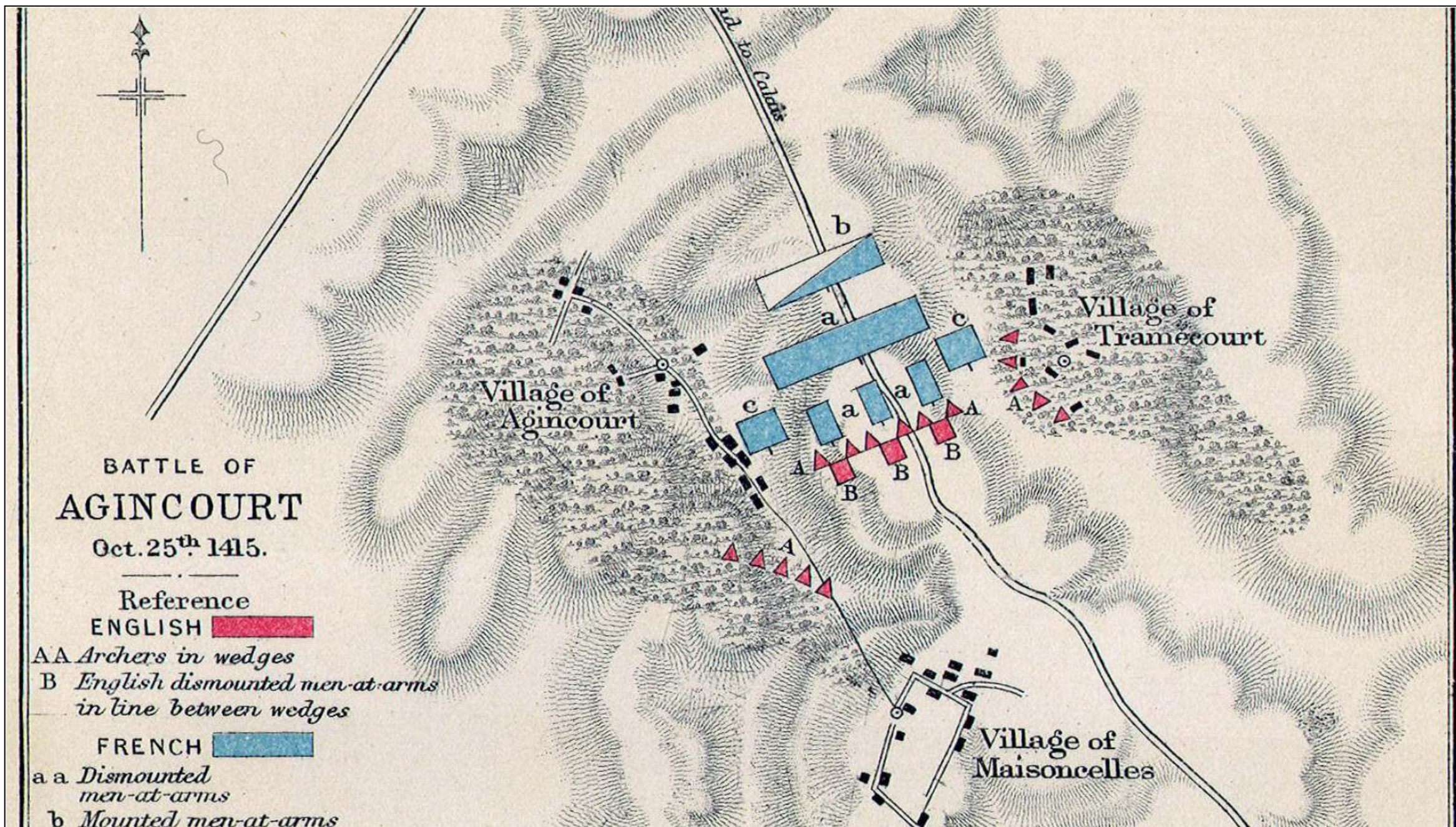
- a a *Dismounted
men-at-arms*
b *Mounted men-at-arms*

Village of
Agincourt

Village of
Tramecourt

Village of
Maisoncelles

ad to Coler's





Longbow

- Made from yew wood.
- Distances of 300 meters
- 8 - 10 arrows every 60 seconds
- 6ft in length

Needle
Bodkin
Arrow



Armour



Battlefield

- Rained the night prior
- Waterlogged field
- Slowed the progress of the French



Summary

- Was the longbow the decisive weapon for the success at the Battle Of Agincourt ?
- My Order
 1. Battleground / Armour
 2. Longbow



FINAL GRADE

31/50

GENERAL COMMENTS

Excellent introductory slide, which described context of presentation. Spoke with confidence without notes and held himself well. Just the right amount of information on the historical context, which supported my view that Reece had researched this well. Maintained eye contact throughout and all slides were well presented with text and imagery. Prose matched slides. Slides were clear and labelled appropriately. Explained the tactical superiority of Henry V. The application of the longbow was described in detail as an effective weapon system of the day. Rate of fire was explained as being contributory to the defeat in terms of harassment and damage. Explained that only vulnerable points of armour could be perforated but that psychological damage was significant. Use of 'mosh pit' analogy was very good. Ergonomic factors pertaining to light vs heavy steel armour explained. 13 minutes

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