

# Scotland and Europe – Nation Building, John Balliol

## Lesson 3

**Silent Study Starter:** Read about John Balliol. Answer the questions on the sheet.

**Learning Intention:** Who was John Balliol, why was he important?

**Success Criteria:** Be able to describe how John Balliol started the Wars of Independence and understands his role in building our nation.



# John Balliol

- 1290 – the Maid of Norway dies
  - 1291 – King Edward the 1<sup>st</sup> selects John Balliol to be King of Scotland
  - 1292 John Balliol is crowned. King Edward 1<sup>st</sup> makes it very clear John is a servant to the English throne.
- Watch this [video](#) and answer these questions:
    1. What dates did John Balliol live between?
    2. What happened in 1295?
    3. What happened in 1296?
    4. What happened when John surrendered?
    5. **What legacy did John leave for the future?**



# Success Review Question

- **Explain how** John Balliol's was involved in the Wars of Independence. (5)

*John Balliol's decisions led to the Wars of Independence because...*

**Need a clue?**

