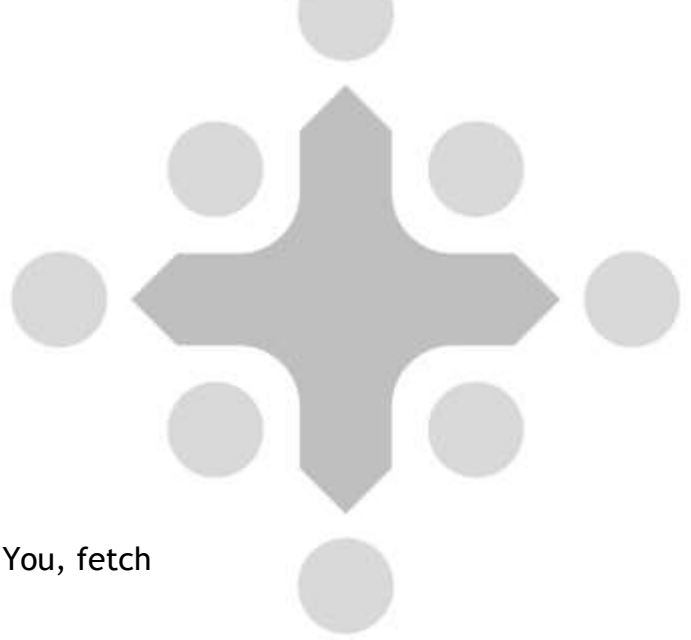


# Tales of Magna Carta



## Chapter 3 - What Magna Carta Achieved

KING JOHN

I feel like taking someone's land. You, fetch me my horse. I'm going to...

BARON 1

Errrrmmmm...

KING JOHN

...I'm going to sit back down on my throne and be bored.

NARRATOR 1

With Magna Carta sealed, King John was finding it very difficult to get his own way.

NARRATOR 2

And the barons were enjoying the freedom they had to influence important decisions that would benefit everyone, not just the king.

BARON 1

If we ensure taxes are fair it will be better for everyone.

KING JOHN

It won't be better for me.

BARON 1

Sadly, Your Grace, that's the law now and the law is fairer if more people are making the decisions, although it may not be perfect.

KING JOHN  
YOU may not be perfect.

BARON 1  
Quite, Your Grace.

KING JOHN  
Heretic. Off to the dungeon with him!

BARON 1  
I'm afraid there'll be no "throwing in the  
dungeon" today, all free men are now entitled  
to a fair trial.

KING JOHN  
But I love throwing people in the dungeon. Are  
you telling me I can't do that now?

BARON 1  
Yes, Your Grace.

KING JOHN  
Absolute twaddle.

NARRATOR 1  
King John didn't like his power being taken  
away because of the sealing of Magna Carta.

NARRATOR 2  
He couldn't understand that even the king had  
to obey the law.

NARRATOR 1  
Yes, unfortunately King John couldn't see that  
Magna Carta would help make a better society  
for everyone. As we shall see.