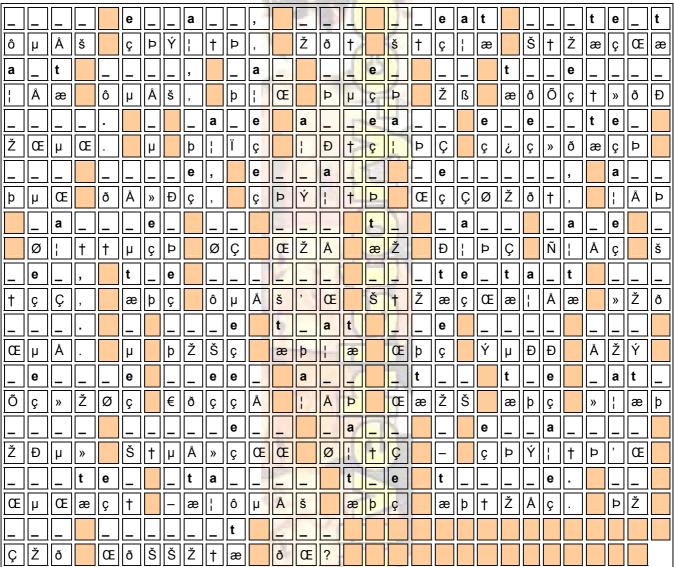
TOP SECRET: NEWS FROM LONDON, 1553!

Imagine you are a servant of the Crown. Henry VIII died in 1547. His young son Edward then became your King and tried to turn England into a Protestant country. However, you have just had this message delivered to you at Ludlow Castle. Translate it and answer the questions which follow.

From: The Duke of Northumberland



Questions:

- 1. What would your reply to this letter be, and why?
- 2. If you were Princess Mary, what would be your response?
- 3. Do you think that the English people will support Mary, or Lady Jane Grey? Explain your answer.



Teacher translation:

King Edward, our great Protestant King, has died of tuberculosis. I have already executed his uncle, Edward Seymour, and married my son to Lady Jane Grey, the King's protestant cousin. I hope that she will now become Queen and stop the Catholic Princess Mary — Edward's sister —taking the throne. Do you support us?