



Why did people go to war in 1642?

Case study 2: 1640-42

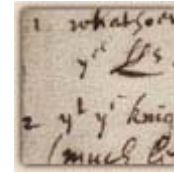
The Civil War broke out in 1642, but there were many years of tension leading up to this event. How does this selection of sources from 1640-42 help us to understand why people went to war?



Petition from the citizens of London, 1640



Report of disputes between Charles & Parliament



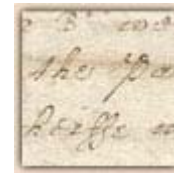
Document on the wishes of Parliament, 1640



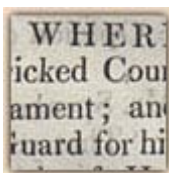
Images from the trial of the Earl of Strafford



Report of rebellion in Ireland, 1641



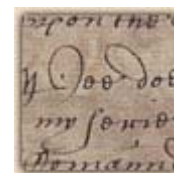
Report of tensions in the country, 1642



Pamphlet from Parliament, June 1642



Payments to help Charles I's armies, 1642



Petition from the confused gentry of Somerset