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# The great debate: modern documents

Henry, 1st duke and 4th earl of Lancaster, earl of Derby (born c. 1300, perhaps at Grosmont Castle, Monmouthshire, Wales—died March 24, 1361, Leicester, Leicestershire, Eng.) was a soldier and diplomat, the most trusted adviser of King Edward III of England (reigned 1327–77). He was the most powerful feudal lord in England at that time.



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