**Pepys Diary**

**Questions to guide reading**

1) Identify archaic (or old-fashioned) words, phrases, constructions or spellings. What might they tell us about the nature of the society in which Pepys was living?

2) Ellipsis is used a lot. Find examples and explain why it is used.

3) What evidence is there that the diary is being written without planning and reflects some of the habits of speech?

4) What seems significant about the way Pepys makes reference to people and places? Find examples.

5) What is the structure of the diary?