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## The life of Sir. Thomas Wyatt

## حياة الشاعر توماس وايت

Sir Thomas Wyatt is one of the most famous poet in the sixteen century. During his career, he served a number of diplomatic missions and was knighted in 1537, but his fame rests chiefly on his poetic achievements, particularly his **songs**. His poems are unusual for their time in carrying a **strong sense of individuality**. He was a famous poet and ambassador at the court of Henry VIII. His father, Henry Wyatt, had been a member of Henry VII's Privy Council, so it was natural that Thomas would follow in his father's footsteps and join Henry VIII's court.

He is famous for his poetry, for introducing the sonnet into English literature and for being one of Anne Boleyn's suitors, although it is now thought that his love for her was unrequited. In his poem "Whoso List to Hunt", he writes about a deer (Anne) being hunted down (by Henry) and being out of Thomas's reach because she says "**Caesar's I am**". Wyatt married Elizabeth Brooke in 1521 and the couple had a son, Thomas Wyatt the Younger, who was executed in Mary I's reign for plotting a rebellion (Wyatt's Rebellion) to depose the Queen and put Elizabeth on the throne.

Wyatt was only a teenager when he gained this position at court. One of Wyatt's greatest talents was in taking Italian literary forms, and even whole poems, and loosely reworking or translating these for an English courtly audience. Thomas Wyatt died in 1542, at the aged of 39 and he never saw his poetry published. Writing over half a century before Shakespeare, Wyatt helped to popularize Italian verse forms, most notably **the sonnet** in England.