

# Causes of the British Civil Wars

## Source-Based Activities

### Activity 1: Reaction to the new Book of Common Prayer in Scotland



**Source 1: An image from a book published in 1648.**

It shows a riot at St Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh which broke out when the new Prayer Book was first used in Scotland 1637.

***True information of the beginning and cause of all our troubles....(1648)***  
***BRAD 942 062 TRU, Bradshaw Collection, Newcastle University Special Collections, GB 186.***

Look carefully at the image above.

- 1) Who can you see in this picture?
- 2) What are they doing?
- 3) Where did this take place?
- 4) When did it happen?
- 5) Why did people react in this way?

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