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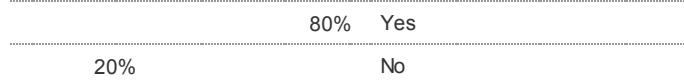
Archaeologists have identified the skeleton of the last Plantagenet monarch. But with our perspective so influenced by Shakespeare's murderous, hunchbacked villain, is Richard III due for rehabilitation?

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