



Kings and Queens

KS1 - Knowledge organiser

Key Facts	
Why was William I known as William the Conqueror?	William I came from France. He killed King Harold in 1066 and took over England, becoming known as 'William the Conqueror'.
Why was King Edward I known as 'Longshanks'?	King Edward I was given the nickname 'Longshanks' because he was very tall. He was also called the 'Hammer of the Scots' as he spent years fighting wars with Scotland.
What is Henry VIII known for?	Henry was desperate for a son, so when his wife Katherine of Aragon gave birth to a baby girl, he divorced her. In doing so, he split England from the Catholic Church and created the Church of England. Henry had a total of six wives. He divorced two and beheaded two!
Who is the longest reigning monarch?	In 2015, Queen Elizabeth II became the longest reigning monarch with 65 years on the throne. Before this, Queen Victoria had been the longest reigning monarch.
What is Richard III remembered for?	Richard III is often remembered for being a cruel and unkind king. Some people think he killed his nephews to become king. He is also famous because nobody knew where he was buried until his skeleton was discovered in a car park in 2012.
Who was Elizabeth I?	Elizabeth I was the daughter of Henry VIII. She never married, although she said she was married to her country.
Key Vocabulary	
monarch	A monarch is a king or queen, an emperor or a sultan.
Parliament	This is where politicians meet to decide laws.
succession	This is the order in which a monarch's family will take over the throne.

History Timeline

Significant Kings and Queens

1066 William the Conqueror 1066 - 1087

1199 King John I 1199 - 1216

1272 King Edward I 1272 - 1307

1483 King Richard III 1483 - 1485

1485 Battle of Bosworth Last battle of the War of the Roses, 1485

1509 Henry VIII 1509 - 1547

1558 Spanish Armada 1558

1558 Queen Elizabeth I 1558 - 1603

1625 King Charles I 1625 - 1649

1625 William Shakespeare 1564 - 1616

1625 Industrial Revolution 1760 - 1840

1564 Queen Victoria I 1837 - 1901

1901 End of Victorian Era 1901

1952 Queen Elizabeth II 1952 - present day

2000

Kings and queens wear a crown.

The Tudor period was between 1457 and 1509.

The king or queen is advised by a group of people on how to run the country. This group of people is known as a parliament.

The heir to the throne is the eldest son, if there is no son, the eldest daughter will become queen.

The medieval period is a time of history between the years 1154 to 1485.

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