

The Tudors 1485—1603

1485	1509	1534	1536—1541	1553	1558	1588
Battle of Bosworth Field	Henry VIII becomes King	Henry creates the Church of England	The Dissolution of the monasteries	Mary Tudor becomes Queen of England on the death of her brother Edward VI	Elizabeth becomes queen.	The Spanish Armada is defeated.

Key Vocabulary

Monarch / monarchy	A nation's king or queen. A country that has a king or queen as its head of state.
Reign	The time when a particular monarch is the head of state.
Civil War	A war between different groups of people living in the same country.
Heir	A person who will be a monarch when the current monarch dies.
Reformation	A time when the reformed and Protestant Churches were established.
Catholic	A member of the Catholic Church
Protestant	A member of the Protestant or Reformed Church.
Monasteries? Abbeys/ Friaries	Religious buildings
Armada	A large fleet of warships.

General Knowledge

Who were the Tudors? The Tudor monarchs ruled the Kingdom of England, Wales and the Lordship of Ireland (later the Kingdom of Ireland) from 1485 until 1603, with five monarchs in that period: Henry VII, Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth I. They came to power in 1485 when Henry Tudor defeated Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth Field. He was then recognised as king despite having only a very small claim to the throne.

Why are they so well known?

They are arguably the most well known of any of the Kings and Queens of England this is for many things, including the Henry VIII and his six wives, the exploration of America and the plays of William Shakespeare.

During the sixteenth century, England emerged from the medieval world. It was a time of great change, most notably it marked the end of the Catholic church in England. Great naval exploits began the great English seafaring tradition.

What did the Tudors do for Britain?

During 118 years of Tudor rule, England became richer than ever before. As the country became wealthier, towns grew, beautiful houses were built and England was home to great painters, writers and musicians.

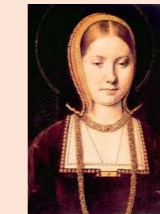
Famous Figures



Henry VIII



Catherine of Aragon



Anne Boleyn













Thomas Cromwell



Elizabeth I



Sir Frances Drake

Jurassic Period 200 million years ago 	Stone Age— Iron Age (13,300 BC—43 AD) 	Ancient Egypt (3,100 BC—30 BC) 	Ancient Greece (3,000 BC—146 BC) 	Roman Britain (753 BC— 410 AD) 	Anglo-Saxons & Vikings (410 AD— 1066 AD) 	Medieval Period (1066 AD—1485 AD) 	Tudor Britain (1485 AD— 1603 AD) 	Victorians (1837—1901) 	World War 2 (1939—1945) 
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