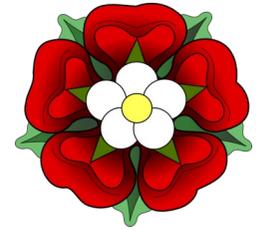


Marvellous Monarchs



What should I already know?

Haverhill is a town in England
 England is a country. The capital city of England is London.
 There are 4 countries in The United Kingdom (UK) - England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
 Great Britain is an island and is surrounded by seas—Irish Sea, English Channel and North Sea.
 The Republic of Ireland is not a country of The United Kingdom.
 Elizabeth II is the current Queen.

Queen Elizabeth I

Elizabeth I was the last Tudor Queen. She was born in 1533 and was the youngest daughter of Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn.

She came to the throne at 25.

Elizabeth I's rule is known as the **Golden Age of English History**. Under her rule, England advanced in such areas as foreign trade, exploration, literature, and the arts.

During Elizabeth's reign the age of exploration began with explorers such as Francis Drake claiming new lands for England and introducing new materials and foods. The American State, **Virginia**, is named after her.

The Tudor period ended when Elizabeth died.

Victoria

Queen Victoria is the longest reigning **Queen** in the **British Monarchy**. She was **18** when she came to the **throne**. She thought that when she came to the **throne** she could do exactly what she wanted. She **reigned** from **1837-1901**. **Britain** changed a lot during her **reign**, Britain became the most **powerful country** in the world with the largest **empire** that ever existed, **ruling** a quarter of the world's **population**.

During **Victorian Britain** the population more than doubled.



William the Conqueror (1066–1087) The Normans	The first Norman king of England. He defeated King Harold at The Battle of Hastings.
John I (1199-1216) Plantagenets	Responsible for The Magna Carta (Great Charter) which gave justice to all.
Edward I (1272-1307) Plantagenets	Also known as Edward Longshanks because he was over 6ft tall. He fought wars against the Scots King Robert the Bruce.
Richard III (1483-1485) Plantagenets	Locked up two Princes Edward and Richard in the Tower of London so that he could inherit the throne.
Henry VIII (1485-1509) The Tudors	He had six wives—Catherine of Aragon,, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Catherine Howard and Catherine Parr
Elizabeth I (1558-1603) The Tudors	During her reign great adventurers discovered new lands.
Charles I (1625-1649) The Stuarts	Charles tried to rule without a parliament.
Victoria (1837-1901) The Victorians	The longest reigning queen. During her reign the British Empire became powerful rich and confident.
Elizabeth II (1952-present) The Windsors	The current Queen.
The Tudors	A Welsh-English family that ruled between 1485 and 1603. This was
The Victorians	During the Victorian reign Britain became extremely powerful.

The role of a **monarch** is to serve as **head of state**. The **Queen** has to go on official **state** visits abroad and invites other world leaders to come to **The United Kingdom**. The queen is head of the **armed forces**, and she is the only person that can declare when the country is at war and when war is over. The Queen is also the **head of the Church of England**, a position that all **British monarchs** have held since it was founded by **Henry VIII** in the **1530s**.