

Alverton School History Knowledge Organiser Years 5 and 6 - Tudors and Henry VIII

What we already know:

Since 55BCE, Britain was invaded and settled by many different groups - Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Vikings and Normans. After the Battle of Hastings, the Normans ruled until 1399. At this time, the country was controlled by a few very rich families who inherited vast areas of land originally given to their ancestors by William the Conqueror

Core Knowledge

The Tudor period lasted from the Battle of Bosworth in 1485 to the death of Queen Elizabeth I in 1603. The Battle of Bosworth ended the Wars of the Roses which had lasted for 30 years.

Henry VIII was the second Tudor king and in his quest to have a male heir, he married six different wives.

In order to divorce his first wife, Catherine of Aragon, Henry separated England from the Roman Catholic Church. The Pope no longer had any power over England.. England became a Protestant country

After Henry VIII died, there was a very turbulent and bloody period before Elizabeth I came to the throne. Religion in England went through a similar period switching from a Catholic country to a Protestant one then back again.

Life in Tudor England was very different depending on whether you were rich or poor. Rich people lived in grand houses, ate expensive food and wore extravagant clothes. Poor people lived in basic cottages on farms and worked every day to survive.

Historians learn from Primary and Secondary sources. Primary sources are objects, paintings, writing from the time period. Secondary sources are written about that time at a later date.

Key Vocabulary	
Heir	A person who will inherit the crown after the current King or Queen dies
Annul	To cancel a marriage
Reign	The time a King or Queen is on the throne and rules the country
Treason	A crime of betraying your country
Monarch	A leader of a country e.g. a King or a Queen
Execution	To be put to death
Reformation	When Henry split the Church of England from the the Roman Catholic Church.
Divorce	The legal end of a marriage
Catholic	A form of Christianity under the control of the Pope
Protestant	Followers of Christianity who are separate from the Roman Catholic Church
Pope	The leader of the Roman Catholic Church

1485 Henry VII defeats Richard III at Bosworth.

1509 Henry VII dies and is succeeded by his younger son Henry VIII. Two months after he became King, he married his brother's Spanish widow, Catherine of Aragon

1534 Henry VIII formed the Church of England, separating England from the Roman Catholic Church

1537 Finally Henry had his male heir - Edward was born but a few days later Jane died

1558 Mary died and Elizabeth I was crowned Queen

1603 Queen Elizabeth I died ending the Tudor period

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1486 Henry marries Elizabeth of York and ends the War of the Roses

1516 Mary I is born.

1533 Henry VIII married Anne Boleyn, following a divorce from Catherine of Aragon. Anne Boleyn gave birth to Elizabeth

1536 Anne Boleyn was executed. Eleven days later, Henry marries Jane Seymour

1547 Henry dies and is succeeded

1553 Edward VI died and was succeeded by Jane Grey. Her reign only lasted nine days.

CE1603



Lancaster Rose



York Rose



Tudor Rose

The Battle of Bosworth



Henry VIII

