

Year 2- Autumn 2 Knowledge Organiser

Kings & Queens



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During this topic we will be learning about what a monarch is. We will look at some famous English monarchs through history and the length of their reign. We will explore where kings and queens have lived through history and learn about the different features of a Medieval castle. Within our local area we have a palace from the past so we will be visiting Hampton Court Palace to compare this to other monarchs homes.

Key events and facts

What is a monarch?	A monarch is someone who is a head of a state. This this can be a king, queen or an emperor.
Who was Queen Elizabeth I?	Elizabeth I was queen from 1558-1603. Her reign was known as the Elizabethan Era. She was queen for 44 years and had no children. Queen Elizabeth I loved the arts and watching many of William Shakespeare's plays. She wore puffy dresses and high heels. She had many exotic pets including a bear, monkey and lynx.
Who was Queen Elizabeth II?	Elizabeth II was queen from 1952-2022. Her reign was known as the 'New Elizabethan age'. She had 4 children and enjoyed spending time with them at Buckingham Palace, Windsor Castle and Balmoral. She always wore brightly coloured dresses to ensure she could be seen in large crowds as well as low heeled shoes. She loved animals and kept many horses and dogs. She kept over 30 corgis as family pets during her reign.
Where do monarchs live?	Throughout history monarchs have lived in grand palaces and castles. These have changed through time and each monarch has added their own style to their own palace.
What would it be like to be a monarch?	You can only become a monarch if you are the child of a king or queen or a close blood relative. Being a monarch can be a very busy and involves a lot of travel around the world.

Key people



Henry VIII



Elizabeth I



Victoria I



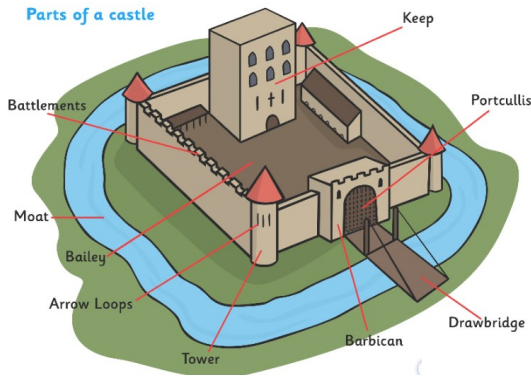
George VI



Elizabeth II

Historical buildings and their features

Medieval castle



Hampton Court Palace



Buckingham Palace

Key historical vocabulary

eventually following
impact action
until while result

Subject specific vocabulary

Monarch, king, queen, reign, timeline, palace, chronological order, Medieval, similarities, differences castle (portcullis, moat, drawbridge, turret, the keep, bailey)

Timeline



1509-1547
Henry VIII reign



1837-1901
Victoria's reign



1952
Elizabeth II is Queen

2016-2017
You were born

2022
Elizabeth II dies

1500
End of medieval castles



1558-1603
Elizabeth I reign



1936-1952
George VI reign



2022
You started Year 2

