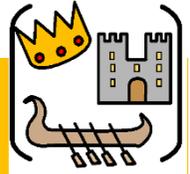


# Year 1

## Kings, Queens and Castles - Knowledge Organiser



### Where did Monarchs live?

Key Vocabulary	Key Questions and Facts			
<p><b>Vocabulary:</b> definition</p> <p><b>Monarch:</b> A monarch is a king or queen, an emperor or a sultan.</p> <p><b>Parliament:</b> This is where politicians meet to decide laws.</p> <p><b>Succession:</b> This is the order in which a monarch's family will take over the throne</p> <p><b>Crown:</b> Crowns are usually made of metal</p>	<p><b>What is a monarch?</b></p> <p>Monarchs use such titles as king, queen, emperor, or empress.</p> <p>Monarchies were once common throughout the world, but now they are rare.</p> <p>Monarchs generally reign for life.</p> 	<p><b>Where did Kings and Queens live?</b></p> <p>Kings and Queens live in castles.</p> <p>This started many years ago as castles were very good at protecting the Kings and Queens from their enemies.</p> <p>They had a moat, tall walls and a draw bridge.</p> 	<p><b>Why do we remember King William I?</b></p> <p>King William I is also known as William the Conqueror.</p> <p>He came across from France and won an important battle against England's King, King Harold.</p> <p>Because William the Conqueror won the battle, he took over the crown and became the King of England.</p> 	<p><b>Who was Queen Elizabeth I and where did she live?</b></p> <p>Queen Elizabeth I became queen in 1558 at the age of 25.</p> <p>She ruled during a time when people believed that women couldn't rule as well as men.</p> <p>But Elizabeth didn't let that stop her! She was clever and cunning and proved that women can be just as powerful as men!</p> 

and are worn on the heads of kings and queens.

**Power:** Something kings and queens have to make people do what they say

**Reign:** The time that someone is king or queen for.

**Royal:** A way of describing the monarch and their family.

**Rule:** This is how a monarch tells people what to do.

### Who was Queen Victoria and where did she live?

Queen Victoria was in charge when all children were allowed to go to school, slavery was banned and train lines became more advanced.

Britain became the most powerful country in the world, with the largest empire that had ever existed, ruling a quarter of the world's population.

Factories and machines were built, new towns built changing the landscape and the way people lived and worked.



### Why might history remember Queen Elizabeth II?

Celebrated for her dedicated public service. In a reign stretching over 70 years, she provided leadership, continuity and a focus for national unity.

Extremely popular for nearly all of her long reign, the queen was known for taking a serious interest in government and made the royal family more up-to-date.



### Significant Individuals



Queen Elizabeth II



King William I



Queen Victoria



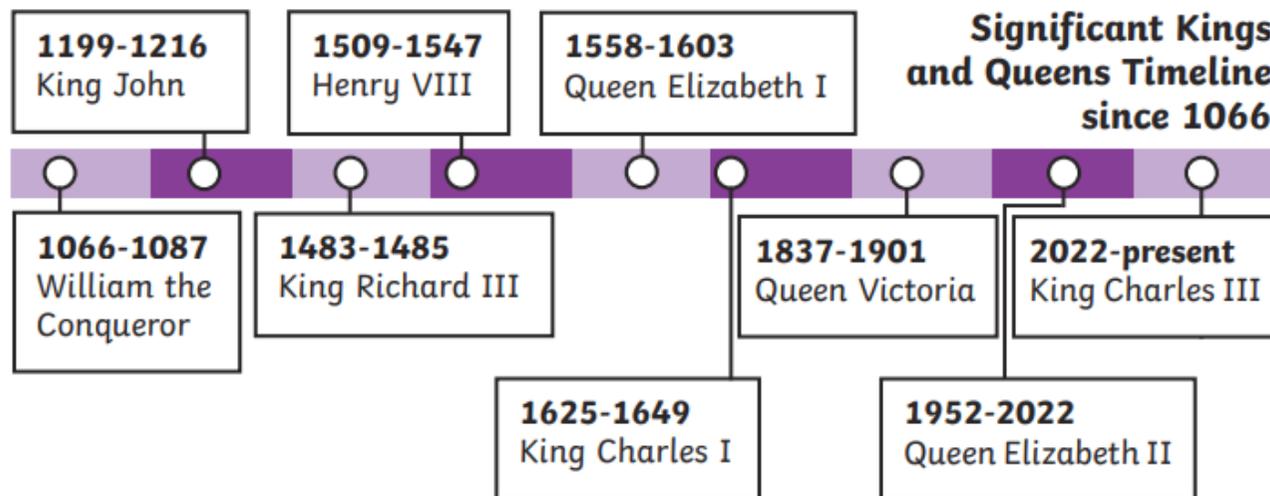
Queen Elizabeth I

Elizabeth II (Elizabeth Alexandra Mary; 21 April 1926 – 8 September 2022) was Queen of the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth realms from 6 February 1952 until her death in 2022. She was queen regnant of 32 sovereign states during her lifetime and was head of state of 15 realms at the time of her death.

William I ruled England from 1066 until his death in 1087. He overthrew the last Anglo-Saxon king, Harold II, to seize the throne, earning the title William the Conqueror.

Queen Victoria is associated with Britain's great age of industrial expansion, economic progress and, especially, empire. At her death, it was said, Britain had a worldwide empire on which the sun never set. Victoria was born at Kensington Palace, London, on 24 May 1819.

She was responsible for English exploration of the New World and the flourishing of the economy, making England a world power. Her reign was also noted for the English Renaissance, an outpouring of poetry and drama. Elizabeth's court also became a centre for poets, musicians, writers, and scholars.



### Useful Websites

[https://kids.kiddle.co/Elizabeth\\_II](https://kids.kiddle.co/Elizabeth_II)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkrkscw/articles/zfdkhbk>

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<https://www.historic-uk.com/HistoryUK/KingsQueensofBritain/>

## Key People



**William  
the Conqueror**



**Henry VIII**



**Richard III**



**John**



**Charles I**



**Elizabeth I**



**Victoria**



**Elizabeth II**



**King Charles III**