

Year 2 - Autumn 1 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 King Charles II?	Charles II was King from 1660-1685. His reign was known as the Restoration Era. He was King for 25 years and had no children. King Charles II loved horses, theatre and had spaniel dogs. He was alive at the time of The Great Fire of London and The Plague. He had the Royal Observatory built in Greenwich and was known as 'The Merry Monarch'
Who is King Charles III?	King Charles III became King in September 2022 when the queen passed away. His reign is known as 'The Carolean Era'. He has 3 siblings - 2 brothers and 1 sister. He has 2 sons William and Harry and 5 grandchildren. He owns 2 jack Russell dogs called Beth and Bluebell that he got from Battersea Dog Home. He enjoys painting and fishing and played polo when he was younger. He has supported many charities and set up 'The Princes' Trust' helping disadvantaged adults.
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



Charles II



Victoria I



Elizabeth II



Charles III

Historical buildings and their features

Medieval castle

Key historical vocabulary

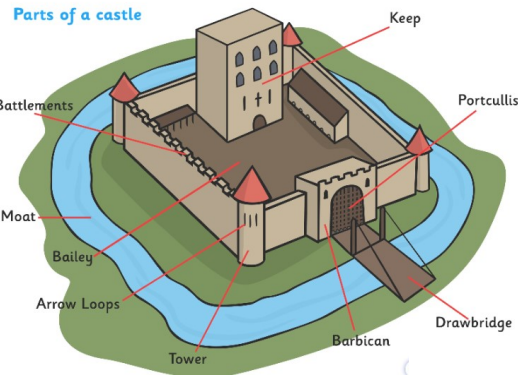
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chronological order

similarities differences

Timeline



Hampton Court Palace



Buckingham Palace



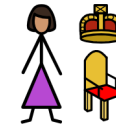
Windsor Castle

Subject specific vocabulary

Monarch



queen



timeline



medieval



king



reign



palace



castle (portcullis, moat, drawbridge, turret, the keep, bailey)

1509-1547
Henry VIII reign



1837-1901
Victoria's reign



2017-2018
You were born



2022
Elizabeth II dies

2025
You started Year 2

1500
End of medieval castles



1558-1603
Elizabeth I reign

1660-1685
Charles II reign



1952-2022
Elizabeth II is Queen



2022- present day
King Charles III