

Knowledge Organiser - The Tudors

The Tudors were a Welsh-English royal dynasty who ruled England and Wales from 1485 until 1603. Before Henry Tudor became king he had to win the crown from King Richard III. He succeeded in doing this in the Battle of Bosworth Field in 1485 at the end of a bloody civil war called the Wars of the Roses. His son, Henry VIII, is perhaps the most famous Tudor, known for having six wives and breaking away from the Catholic Church to create the Church of England.



Tudor Monarchs

		
Henry VII	Henry VIII	Edward VI
		
Jane Grey	Mary I	Elizabeth I

Key Vocabulary

monarch	A sovereign head of state (king or queen).
heir	Someone who is in line to receive/inherit something after death. E.g. the king's children will inherit the throne.
execution	To carry out a sentence of death e.g. beheading.
reign	The time period a king or queen is at the throne.
treason	A crime of betraying your own country e.g. trying to overthrow a king/queen.
War of the Roses	A battle which took place between two kingdoms, leading to the first Tudor king.

Timeline

				
1485 – Henry Tudor defeats Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth and is crowned Henry VII.	1509 – Henry VII dies. Henry VIII becomes king.	1534 – Henry VIII creates the Church of England.	1547 – Henry VIII dies. Edward becomes king aged 9.	1553 – Edward dies. Mary I crowned queen.