



British History: Green Class – Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Elizabeth II

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Key Vocabulary

Chronological	A list of event in time order.
Heir	A person legally entitled to the property or rank if another person's death.
Coronation	The ceremony of crowning a king or queen.
Jubilee	A particular anniversary of an event, usually denoting the 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 70th anniversary of the reign of a king or queen.
Monarch	A person who reigns over a kingdom or empire such as a king or queen.
Reign	The period of one monarch's rule.
Royal	A king or queen or member of their family.
Empire	A group of countries ruled over by one monarch.
Government	The people who are in charge of running the country.
Prime Minister	The head of the government.
Buckingham Palace	The palace where the monarch of the United Kingdom lives when they are in London.
Elizabethan Era	The time period in which Elizabeth I was Queen of England and Ireland.



Key People

Queen Elizabeth I
King Henry VIII
Queen Elizabeth II
Prince Charles
Anne Boleyn

Key Places

London
England
Britain
Spain
South Africa

Key Dates –Queen Elizabeth I

7th September 1533	Birth of Princess Elizabeth
17th November 1558	The Queen begins her reign.
15th January 1559	Coronation of the Queen.
30th November 1601	Queen Elizabeth I gave her golden speech to parliament.
24th March 1603	Queen Elizabeth I died.

Key Dates –Queen Elizabeth II

21st April 1926	Birth of Princess Elizabeth.
1936	Princess Elizabeth becomes heir.
6th February 1952	The Queen begins her reign.
2nd June 1953	Coronation of the Queen.
1977	Queen's silver jubilee
2012	Queen's diamond jubilee celebrated.
2017	Queen's sapphire Jubilee celebrated. Queen Elizabeth II is the only British monarch to have reigned for 65 years



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Key Knowledge– Queen Elizabeth I

Elizabeth I was Queen of England and Ireland for 45 years (1558 to 1603). She was born on 7th September 1533 (more than 400 years ago!). She was the daughter of Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn. Elizabeth I is famous for having red hair like her father, Henry VIII. During Elizabeth I's reign lots of English explorers searched for new lands and treasures. The time when Elizabeth I was Queen is known as England's Golden Age



Key Knowledge

Music back in the Elizabethan era was calm and soothing. They had instruments like Cornett, pipe Organ and Shawn. Native folk music was seen being played at dinner tables when families came together for a meal. The interesting part of the era was that most instruments were still in their experimental phase, while vocal music was already well-explored. That resulted in an unusual blend of new styles in music composed with the exceptionally talented vocalist who sang poetry composed by people who are famous to this day. Music is a lot different now. Today we have R&B, rock and roll, country and lots of other. There are a lots others. Music is played at anytime of the day. When you're working out, reading, sitting at home or talking to your friends. Lyrics in songs have no true meaning anymore. Artist wear insane costumes and put on shows.

The majority of people in those days were self employed and partially self sufficient, growing much of their own food, making their own clothes. Nowadays, most people work for wages rather than being self employed, working for fixed hours for fixed wages. Elizabethans would work during daylight hours, so summer was usually their busiest time, winter their quietest. Whereas now the opposite is the case, we think of summer as a time for holidays. The home and workplace were not separate, as they are now, most people worked where they lived. Most Elizabethans had practical skills that few modern people possess; they would think we were helpless, with our reliance on ready made goods, and our inability to do things for ourselves. Fast forwards 400 years and you will find that we are pampered or some may say spoiled. We have vehicles that guide you when you travel. Plumbing inside and baths and showers, TVs in all sizes and computers with the internet that will allow you to research just about anything. Doctors who know how to cure many diseases and multiple of religions to choose from

Key Knowledge– Queen Elizabeth II

Queen Elizabeth II is the current Queen of Great Britain. Queen Elizabeth II was born on 21st April 1926. Now, she is 92 years old! She is the longest reigning monarch ever in Britain. The Queen celebrates two birthdays! Her actual birthday (21st April) and her official birthday which is on a Saturday in June when the weather is better!

