

Ellie's Tudor Timeline Challenge

Learning objective: To chronologically order key events and monarchs of the Tudor period.

Ellie the Elephant has been busy in the archives, but she has jumbled up the timeline of the Tudor dynasty! Read the events below and place them in the correct chronological order by numbering them from 1 to 6. Once you have ordered them, answer the questions to show what you have learned about this fascinating era.

Word bank: Henry VII · Henry VIII · Edward VI · Mary I · Elizabeth I · The Spanish Armada · The Reformation · Monarchy

1. ☐ Henry VII wins the Battle of Bosworth Field, ending the Wars of the Roses.
2. ☐ Henry VIII breaks away from the Roman Catholic Church.
3. ☐ Edward VI becomes King at the age of nine.
4. ☐ Mary I is crowned the first undisputed Queen of England.
5. ☐ Elizabeth I is crowned Queen and begins a long, stable reign.
6. ☐ The English fleet defeats the Spanish Armada. (6 marks)

2. Why was the year 1485 a significant turning point for the start of the Tudor period? (2 marks)

3. Identify one major change that occurred in England during the reign of Henry VIII. (2 marks)

4. How did the role of the monarch change between the reigns of Mary I and Elizabeth I? (2 marks)

5. If a Tudor merchant bought a loaf of bread for 2p and a piece of cloth for £1 and 10p, what was the total cost in dollars and cents? (2 marks)

6. Why is the defeat of the Spanish Armada considered a highlight of Elizabeth I's reign? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a sketch of a Tudor-style house, focusing on the 'black and white' timber-framed pattern that Zara the Zebra noticed on her travels.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are a Tudor explorer. Write a short diary entry (no more than 50 words) describing what you might see if you sailed to a 'New World' during the reign of Elizabeth I.