Time Travel with Ellie: The Remarkable Tudors

Step into history with Ellie the Elephant! Can you uncover the secrets of the Tudor age?

- **The Tudor period in England lasted from 1485 until 1603, beginning when King Henry VII won the throne.**
- **The Tudor Rose is the famous symbol of the era, created by combining the white rose of York and the red rose of Lancaster.**
- **Henry VIII is the most famous Tudor monarch, known for having six wives and being a very powerful king.**
- **Life was very different for rich and poor; the wealthy ate grand banquets with meat and sweet jellies, while the poor mostly ate pottage, a thick vegetable stew.**
- **Tudor explorers, like Sir Francis Drake, used large wooden ships called galleons to sail across the oceans to new lands.**
- **Fashion was very important for the rich, featuring large ruffs around the neck and bright, colourful velvet fabrics.**

Did you know? Did you know? Tudor children often wrote on 'hornbooks'—pieces of wood with paper attached, covered by a thin layer of cow horn to keep them clean! They didn't have pens like we do; they used sharp quills made from goose feathers.

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