

# Year 2 Block 1 History Knowledge Organiser - Who was Henry VIII

Facts about Henry	
1. Reign	1509 - 1547 he became king at 17 years old.
2. Religion	Henry was a very religious man and a Catholic. However he wanted to divorce his first wife because he had not had a son. He did this and formed the Church of England in 1534.
3. Henry as a young man	The young King Henry was said to be handsome, clever and fun in contrast to his boring father. He was over six feet tall and loved jousting, hunting, composing music and throwing big, expensive parties.
4. Henry as an older man	The older King Henry was hugely overweight and struggled to walk. At the age of 50 he had a 54-inch (137cm) waist! He also suffered from a gruesome ulcer on his leg that caused him constant pain.
5. Henry as a ruler	Henry is known for being a ruthless King who ruled with an iron fist. Strong-willed and bullish, he handed out executions to anyone who stood in his way. In fact, during his 38-year reign, it is said he had more than 70,000 people executed.

Timeline	
1. 1491	Henry is born at Greenwich Palace, he is the second son of Henry VII.
2. 1502	Henry's older brother Arthur who is Prince of Wales dies.
3. 1509	Henry marries Katherine of Aragon.
4. 1509	Henry VIII is crowned King of England at the age of 17.
5. 1516	Katherine gives birth to Mary.
6. 1528	Henry VIII asked the pope to annul his marriage to Katherine of Aragon so that he could marry Anne Boleyn.
7. 1533	Henry divorces Katherine of Aragon.
8. 1533	Henry secretly marries Anne Boleyn.
9. 1533	Anne Boleyn gives birth to Elizabeth.
10. 1534	Henry creates the Church of England.
11. 1536	Anne Boleyn is executed. Henry marries Jane Seymour.
12. 1536	Katherine of Aragon is buried in Peterborough Abbey's church.
13. 1537	Jane gives birth to Edward and then dies 2 weeks later.
14. 1540	Henry marries Anne of Cleves and divorces her later that year.
15. 1540	Henry marries Catherine Howard 16 days after divorcing Anne of Cleves.
16. 1541	Henry VIII created a new bishop and made Peterborough Abbey's church a cathedral.
17. 1541	Henry founds the Kings School in Peterborough.
18. 1542	Henry has Catherine Howard executed.
19. 1543	Henry marries Catherine Parr.
10. 1547	Henry dies.

Henry's wives	
	
<p>Left to right: Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Kathryn Howard, Catherine Parr.</p>	

Vocabulary	
1. Monarch	The ruler of a place (such as a king, queen or emperor).
2. Heir	A person who was next in line for the throne.
3. Pope	The Spiritual leader of the Roman Catholic Church, he is based in Rome.
4. Catholic	A form of Christianity, followers of the Roman Catholic Church.
5. Protestant	A Christian who does not follow the Catholic Church.
6. Cardinal	A senior person in the Catholic Church who was chosen by the Pope.
7. Bishop	A senior member of the Christian clergy,
8. Church of England	The church Henry formed in England when he left the Roman Catholic Church.