

# 1534



King Henry VIII forms the Church of England.

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# 1553-1558



Queen Mary I reigns over England.

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# 1561



Mary, Queen of Scots returns to Scotland.

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# 1536-1541



The Dissolution of the Monasteries. Henry VIII disbands monasteries, priories, convents and friaries.

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# 1543



Henry VIII marries Katherine Parr.  
Katherine survives Henry.

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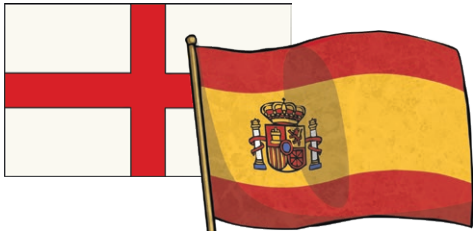
# 1485



The Battle of Bosworth Field takes place, and is won by the Lancastrians.

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# 1585-1604



The Anglo-Spanish war.

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# 1535



The Bible is printed in English for the first time.

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# 1485-1509



Henry VII reigns over England.

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# 1603



Queen Elizabeth I dies.  
King James of Scotland becomes king.

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# 1528



Cardinal Wolsey is sacked for not persuading the Pope to allow King Henry VIII to divorce.

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# 1540



Henry VIII marries Katherine Howard.  
Katherine is beheaded in 1542 for alleged adultery.

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# 1580s



William Shakespeare begins his playwriting career.

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# 1577-1580



Sir Francis Drake becomes the second person to circumnavigate the world

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# 1536



Wales and England become a single state in the 'Act of Union'.

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# 1533



Henry VIII marries Anne Boleyn.  
Anne is beheaded in 1536 for alleged adultery and treason.

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# 1492



The Explorer Christopher Columbus discovers the West Indies.

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# 1509



King Henry VIII becomes king when his father, Henry VII, dies.

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# 1547-1553



King Edward VI reigns over England.

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King Henry VIII separates the Church of England from the Roman Catholic Church.

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# 1536



Henry VIII marries Jane Seymour.  
Jane dies in 1537 following complications in childbirth.

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# 1509



Henry VIII marries Catherine of Aragon.  
The marriage is annulled in 1533.

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# 1542



Mary, Queen of Scots is born in Scotland.

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# 1558



Queen Elizabeth I becomes Queen of England.

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# 1588



The Spanish Armada is defeated.

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# 1545



The Mary Rose ship sinks in an attempted invasion by the French.

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# 1540



Henry VIII is married to Anne of Cleves.  
The marriage is annulled after only 6 months.

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