



# Rule Britannia Knowledge Organiser



Where did kings and queens live through time?

A timeline to help us:



King William I  
1066



Queen Elizabeth I  
1558



Queen Victoria  
1837



Queen Elizabeth II  
1952



King Charles III  
2022

492 years before that

279 years before that

115 years before that

70 years ago from the present day

Key vocabulary to help us:

king

before

now

moat

defend

monarch

then

queen

past

different

battlements

protect

change

attack

reign

present

significant

drawbridge

monument

castle

How do we find out about the past?

We can find out about the past by:

- looking at and reading non-fiction books
- searching the internet
- talk to people who were around at the time that we want to learn about
- watching video clips or TV shows about the time in history we want to find out about
- visiting museums
- looking at photographs
- looking at objects from the past

## Castles

Kings and Queens live in castles. Castles were:

- built for important people, their families and servants
- built to protect important people from attack
- often built high up on a hill so that any attackers could be seen
- often very big to show how much money the important person had
- designed to launch weapons to attack the enemy



## The present-day

King Charles III is the present-day king of England. He came to the throne in 2022 after the death of his mother, Queen Elizabeth II. Queen Elizabeth reigned for 70 years, meaning she is the United Kingdom's longest-reigning monarch. The castles and palaces that were significant in the Queen's reign were:

- Buckingham Palace
- Windsor Castle
- Balmoral Castle in Scotland

These are royal residences that the king is thought to spend time in now he is the reigning monarch.



## The past

These lessons will look back almost 1000 years to the reign of the first King of England, William I. He reigned in the year 1066 after winning the Battle of Hastings. He is also known as William the Conqueror. Between William I and the present-day King Charles III, there have been 41 other Kings and Queens of England. Some of the most famous ones are Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria

