

History • Queen Victoria vs Queen Elizabeth

Key Learning Question: Which Queen's reign was more important for Britain?



Crucial Knowledge

We are getting better at investigating the past:

- Queen Victoria reigned from 1837-1901 (64 years).
- Queen Elizabeth II reigned from 1952 and still reigns today. She has been reigning for 68 years.
- The two Queens are the longest reigning monarchs.
- Queen Victoria ruled over the British Empire.
- Queen Elizabeth is head of the Commonwealth, the church and the armed forces.
- Under Victoria, the first factories and free schools arrived.
- New transport was invented including steam trains, steam ships, the London underground, bicycles and cars.
- Rich Victorians began to explore the world by boat and train.
- The Great Exhibition was held in Hyde Park in 1851.
- Many modern British people traveled the world by aeroplane.
- Important Victorian inventions included telephones, a flushing toilet, stamps, postboxes.
- Under Elizabeth II, man first went to the moon, television came into people's homes, the internet began and people had home computers.



Key Vocabulary

We are getting better at communicating historically

Monarch: A King or Queen.

Rule: To decide how a country should be run.

Reign: To lead a country.

Empire: A group of countries ruled by one leader.

Prime Minister: The head of the government.

Coronation: A ceremony giving a new monarch their crown.

Royal: Related to the King or Queen.

Era: A period of time.

We are getting better at interpreting the past:

Big Ideas: Chronology • Empire • Monarch • Coronation • Parliament • Legacy • Technology



Important People & Places



Queen Victoria

Queen Victoria is Queen Elizabeth II's great-great-grandmother. Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert, helped organize the Great Exhibition.



The Great Exhibition

The Exhibition was held in 1851. The show had different designs technology on display. Anyone could see the exhibition.



Queen Elizabeth II

Queen Elizabeth II is the current monarch of the UK and commonwealth. She is the longest reigning monarch.



We Are Building Our Knowledge From

- House and Homes (Y1)
- Toys Through Time (Y1)

This will help when we learn about

- Immigration Through Time (Y6)
- Now and Then: Architecture Through Time



Timeline

We are getting better at chronology

1837 - 1901

Victorian Era.

1851

The Great Exhibition.

1952 - present

Queen Elizabeth II Reign.