

History - Monarchs of the House of Stuart Year 4

Key Events		
1	1603	Elizabeth I dies, James VI of Scotland becomes James I of England – the Union of the Crowns
2	1605	Gunpowder Plot – Catholic plan to blow up Parliament and King James.
3	1625	James I dies - his oldest son Charles becomes King Charles I.
4	1629	The Personal Rule of Charles I starts - he closes down Parliament for 11 years.
5	1640	The Personal Rule comes to an end – Parliament is reopened
6	1642	The English Civil War starts

Did You Know?

On the very night that the Gunpowder Plot was foiled, on November 5th 1605, bonfires were lit to celebrate the safety of the King. Since then, November 5th has become known as Bonfire Night and a guy is thrown on the fire to symbolise Guy Fawkes!



Key Vocabulary

Divine Right of Kings	The King can't be told what to do by any human and takes his authority from God.
Plot	a plan made in secret by a group of people to do something illegal or harmful.
Gunpowder Plot	a plan to blow up the King and the Houses of Parliament
Union of The Crowns	When England and Scotland were ruled by the same King (James I of England and James VI of Scotland)
Treason	trying to kill or overthrow the King or leader.

KEY PEOPLE



James 1

James 1 was also called James VI if you lived in Scotland as he was king of Scotland before he became king of England and Scotland in 1603. The previous monarch, Elizabeth 1 died childless and as James was next in line to the throne he became king. This was called the Union of the Crowns



Charles 1

In 1625 after the death of James VI Charles became king of England, Scotland and Ireland. Charles' reign was blighted by arguments with parliament about money. He got fed up with this and ruled without parliament for 11 years. Arguments about religion kept on throughout his reign. Eventually all this unrest lead to the civil war in 1642



Guy Fawkes

Guy Fawkes was born in York in 1570. He became a catholic and became involved in the Gunpowder Plot to blow up the king and parliament. He was caught getting ready to set the gunpowder alight and was sentenced to death.