

# Famous Queens

Today we will be:

Exploring Tudor life and Queen Elizabeth I.



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Can you remember who this queen of England was?



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She was Queen Elizabeth I.  
Did you guess it correctly?



Elizabeth I became queen in 1558. She became queen once her brother, Edward VI and her sister, Mary I died.

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Elizabeth I  
was born into  
the Tudor family.  
This period in history  
is known as  
**THE TUDOR**  
**PERIOD.**



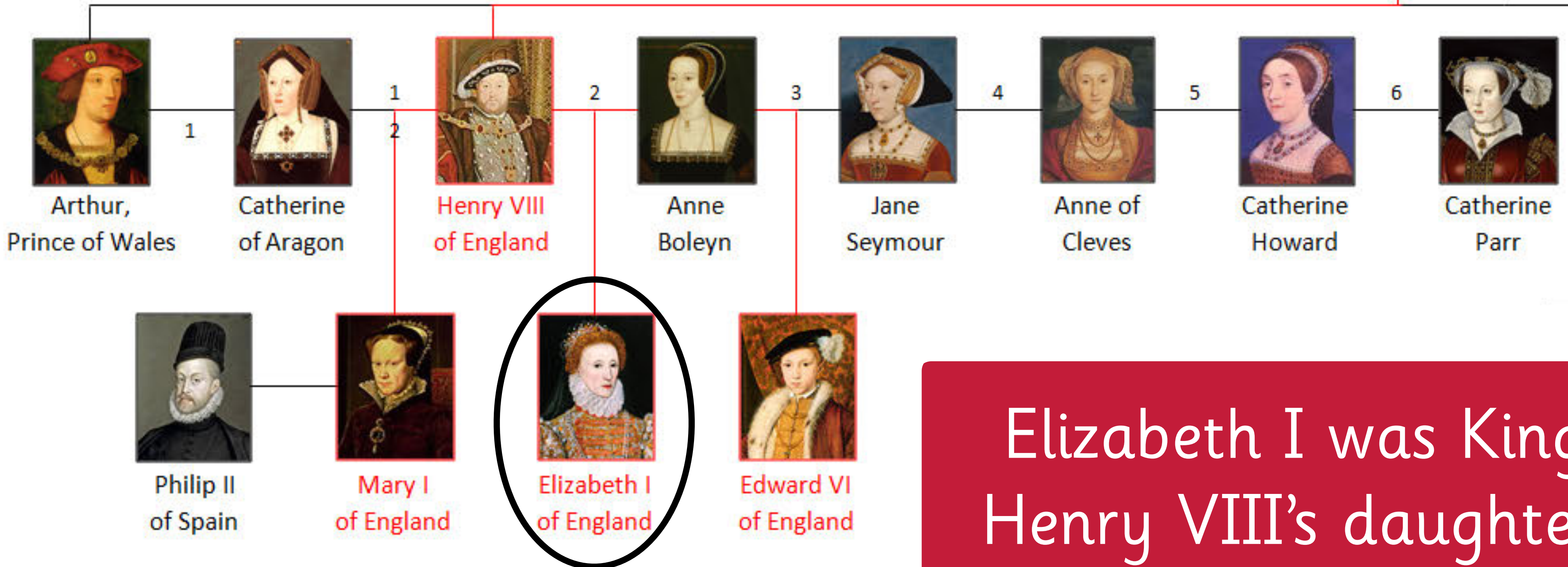
Let's have a  
look at the  
Tudor family  
tree, showing  
how  
Elizabeth I  
became queen.



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This is a part of the Tudor family tree.  
Wow! King Henry VIII had six wives.



Elizabeth I was King Henry VIII's daughter.

At this time, the crown usually passed from father to son. However, because Henry VIII only had one son, who died when he was young, his eldest daughter, Elizabeth, became queen.

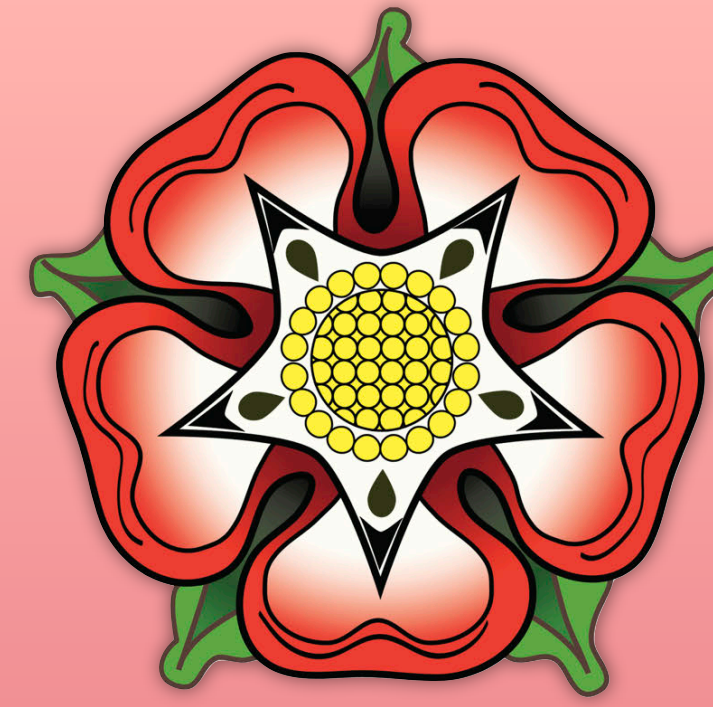
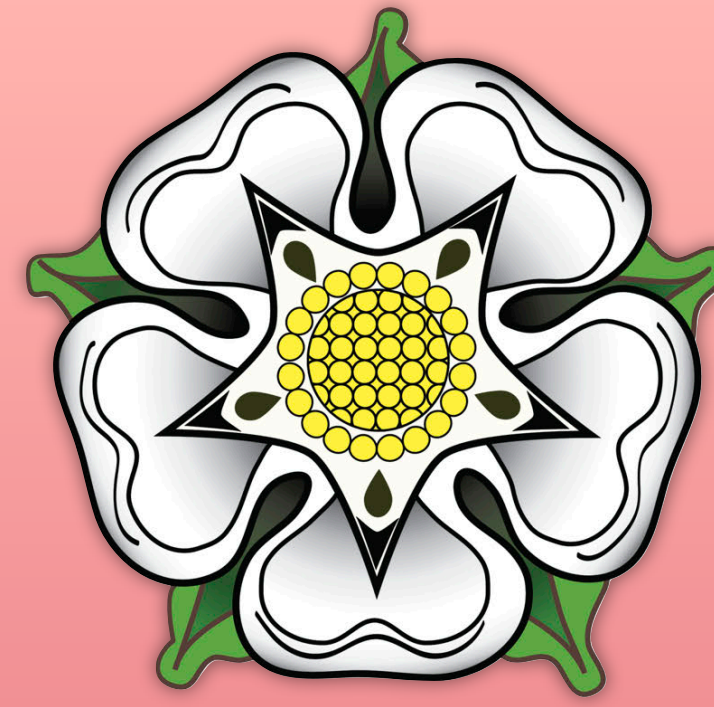
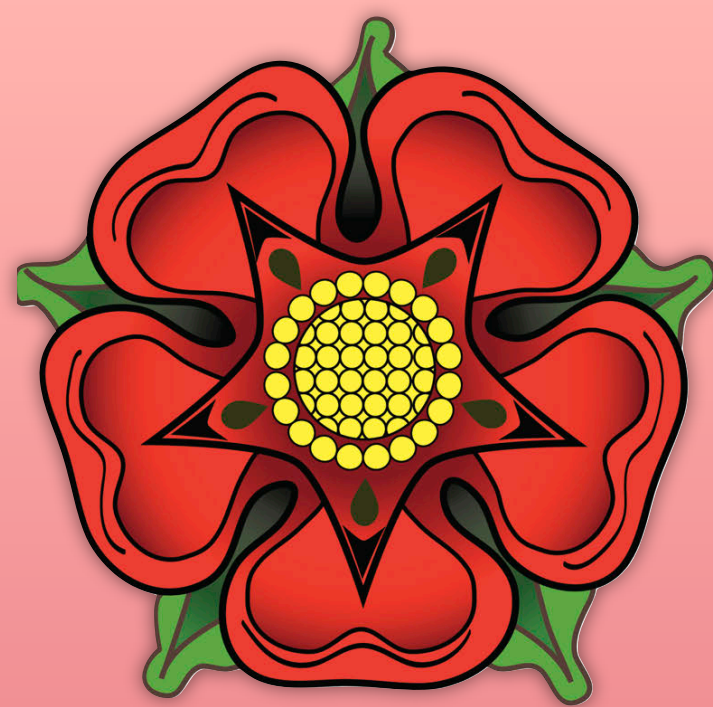


This picture shows King Henry with his three children, Elizabeth, Mary and Edward.



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## Elizabeth I

was the last Tudor monarch. She did not marry or have any children so she had no one to pass the crown to. When she died another family, the Stuarts, came to power and the Tudor period ended.



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Life during the Tudor period was very hard and the Tudor laws were very strict.



This is Hampton Court Palace where Henry VIII spent some of his time. Remember he was Elizabeth I's father.

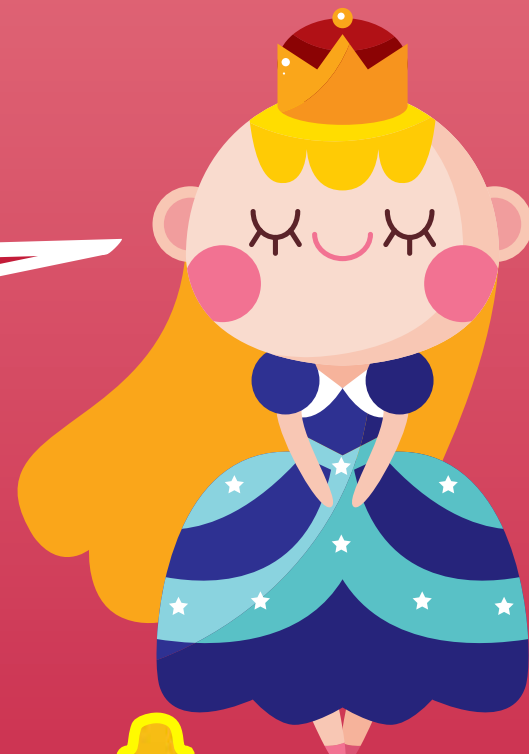


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There was a big difference between rich and poor people. If you didn't have a job or you couldn't work because you were ill, you and your family would have no food and nowhere to live.

Poor people found it very hard but the rich people lived a good life.



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Most people lived in small villages. They were farmers and worked six days a week. Poor people who couldn't work or didn't have jobs often had no choice but to steal food to survive or beg on the streets.



This farmer had to work hard to feed his family.



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During the Tudor period only boys were allowed to go to school. Girls had to stay home and do housework with their mothers.

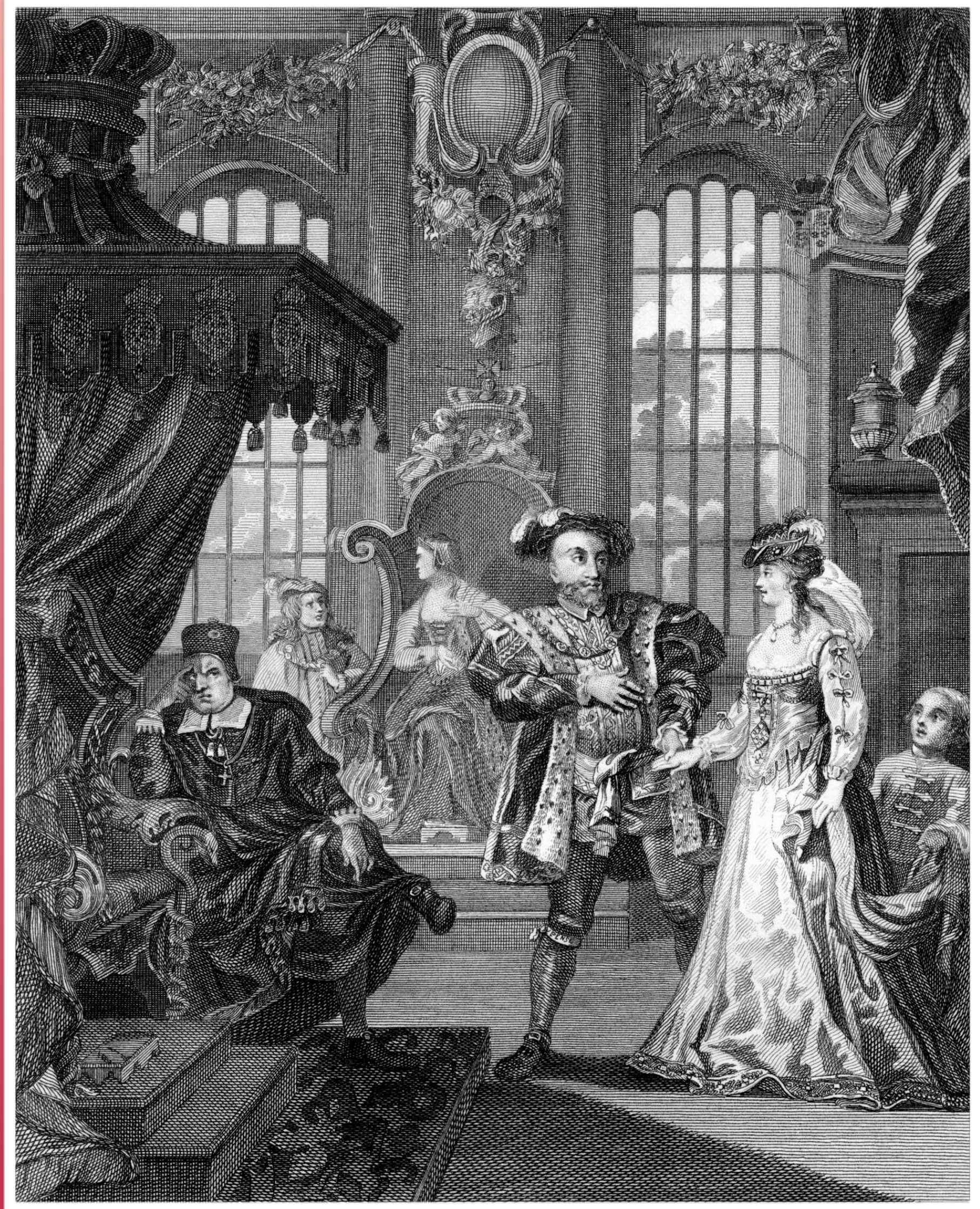
Why were only boys allowed to go to school? Was that fair?



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Most people wore simple clothes but rich Tudors loved to show off how rich they were with fancy clothes.



How would you describe the clothes these rich Tudors are wearing?

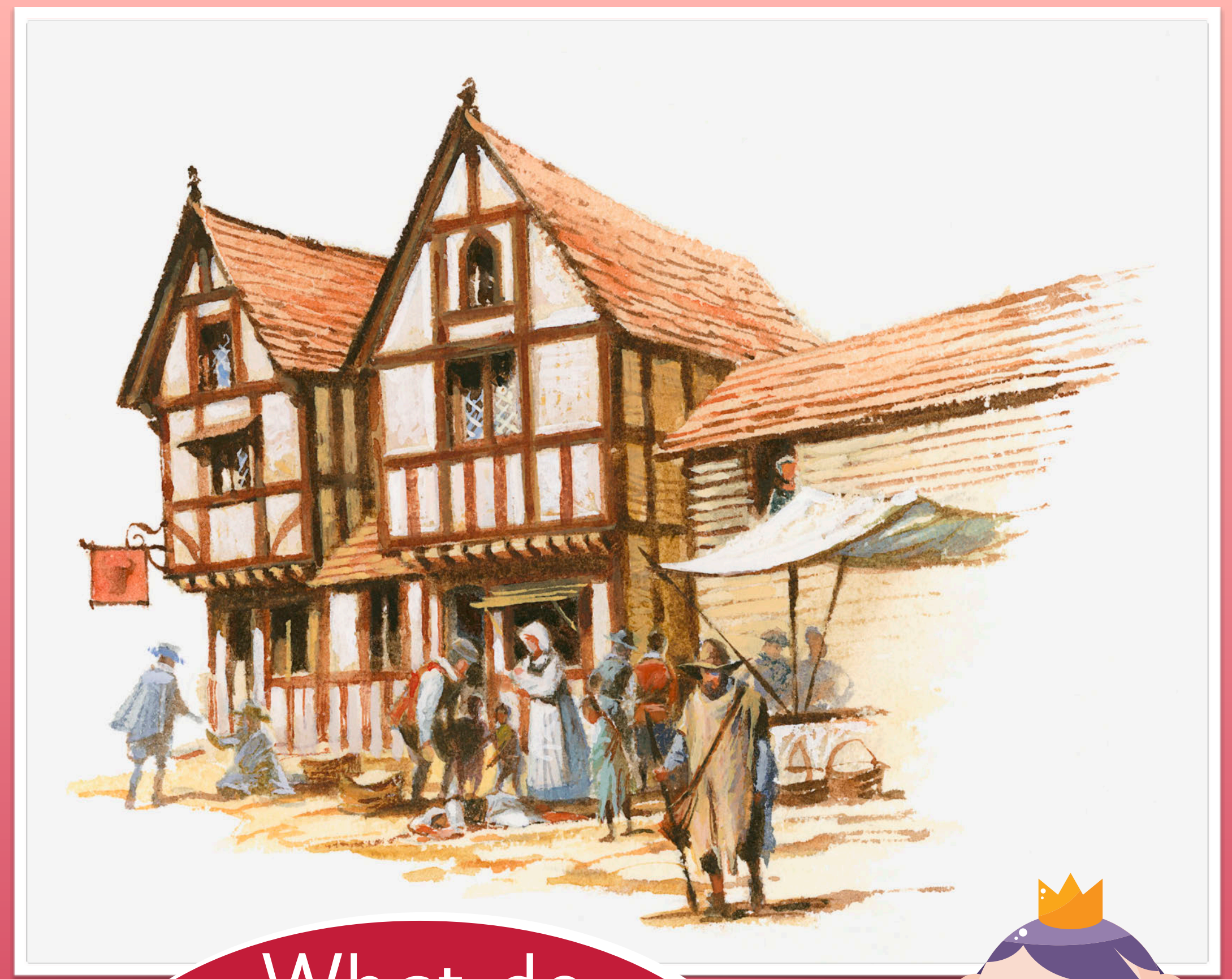


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Rich people could afford meat and lots of food. Most people in the countryside kept some animals for milk and cheese and grew vegetables to eat.

People in towns bought whatever food they could afford at a market. Meat was very expensive so was rarely eaten by anyone except those with lots of money.



What do you think they ate?



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When Elizabeth I became queen she tried to make life better in England. She tried to find ways of helping the very poorest people live better lives.

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Elizabeth I  
allowed musicians,  
painters, inventors and poets  
to share their talents with  
the people.



New places were discovered around  
the world because people were  
allowed to go exploring.

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# Plenary



Would you have liked  
to live in the Tudor  
period?  
Why? Why not?

Maybe you could  
have met Queen  
Elizabeth I!



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