

HISTORY OF ENGLAND TRIVIA QUESTIONS



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- 1> Which ruler of England was known as Longshanks?
- 2> What is the "Domesday Book"?
- 3> When did the Bubonic plague strike England?
- 4> Which battle is the centerpiece of Shakespeare's play Henry V?
- 5> How long did the Hundred Years' War last?
- 6> Which king is known to have started the English Reformation?
- 7> Who lead the English fleet in the war against the Spanish Armada?
- 8> Which one of the Tudors re-established the Roman Catholic Church in England?
- 9> Elizabeth I of England was known for her fondness of wigs and cosmetics. What was the reason for that?
- 10> Queen's University at Kingston, Canada, was established with a royal charter from which queen?
- 11> What animal was on the banner of King Richard III, from the House of York?
- 12> Who is attributed to these words "Necessity hath no law"?
- 13> Who discovered hydrogen?
- 14> What happened on the 5th of November in 1605?
- 15> Which English philosopher is the founder of Utilitarianism?

Answers:

- 1> Edward I - Edward I is also known as the Hammer of the Scots.
- 2> A survey of the entire population of England - William the Conqueror commissioned the Domesday Book.
- 3> 1348 - The Bubonic plague killed approximately one third of the population in Europe.
- 4> Azincourt - The Battle of Azincourt is known for the significant use of longbowmen.
- 5> 116 years - A Hundred Years' War is actually a series of armed conflicts and political unrest, lasting from 1337 until 1453
- 6> Henry VIII - Henry VIII went into a dispute with the Pope Clement VII over a divorce with Catherine of Aragon.
- 7> Francis Drake - Francis Drake was knighted for his merits to the crown.
- 8> Mary I - The Protestants nicknamed her the Bloody Mary for her role of prosecuting the Protestants.
- 9> She was half-bald after suffering from smallpox - Due to a genetic disease, she was completely bald in her late twenties.
- 10> Queen Victoria - At least 7 other schools in Canada bear the name of Queen Victoria.
- 11> A boar - The Tudor dynasty destroyed most of the examples of the badges containing the white boar of Richard III after his death.
- 12> Oliver Cromwell - Cromwell ruled as Lord Protector from 1653 until his death in 1658.
- 13> Sir Henry Cavendish - Henry Cavendish also measured Earth's density.
- 14> The Gunpowder Plot was discovered - The 5th of November is known as Guy Fawkes Day, celebrated with fireworks and bonfires throughout the England.
- 15> Jeremy Bentham - Jeremy Bentham's head is locked somewhere in the University of London.

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