

# Queen Elizabeth I

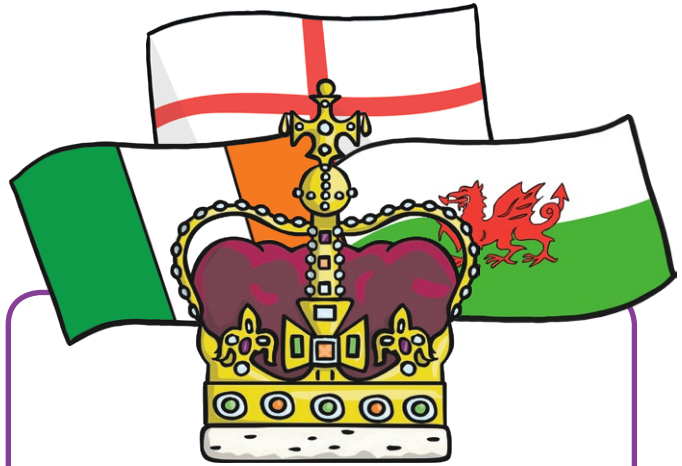
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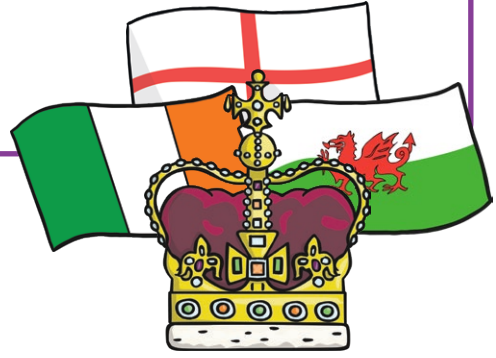
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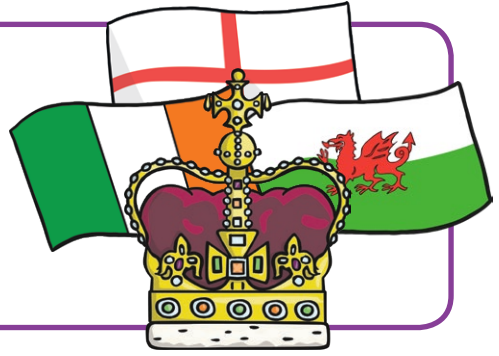
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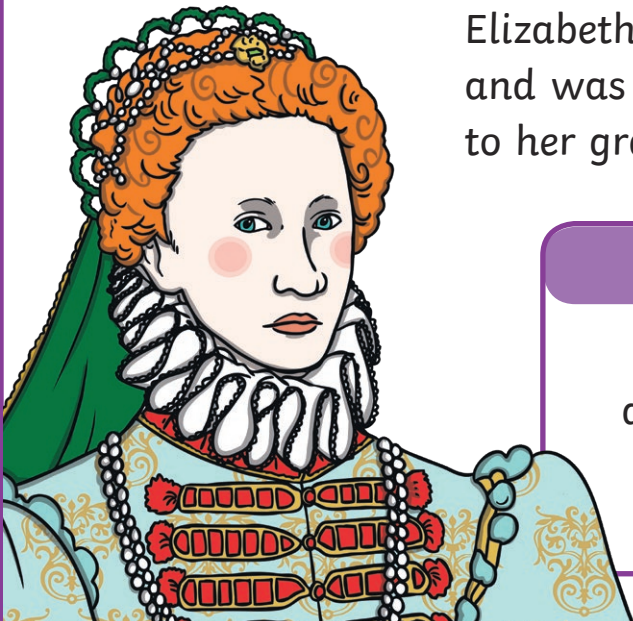
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In those days, queens got married so their husband could help them rule, but Elizabeth didn't want a husband. She said she was married to her country and ruled for 45 years!

When Elizabeth I was queen it was very exciting - there were new ideas about religion, wars with Spain and English explorers discovered new places. England also began to buy and sell things much more in different countries and Sir Francis Drake was one of the first men to sail all the way around the world.

It was a dangerous job to be queen and many people tried to harm Elizabeth. In 1586 her cousin, Mary Queen of Scots, plotted to harm her but Elizabeth found out and had her executed (killed) instead!

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