

Knowledge Organiser: The Queen's Crown

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Key Facts



Queen Elizabeth II is the longest-reigning British monarch. She was born in London on April 21st 1926. She became Queen in 1952 when her father, King George VI, died. She is married to Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.



The Queen has lots of different homes. Her most famous is Buckingham Palace which belongs to the ruling monarch at the time. She also spends a lot of time at Windsor Castle and enjoys Balmoral Castle in Scotland.



The Queen was crowned on June 2nd 1953. This was the Queen's coronation. A coronation is a ceremony marking the formal investiture of a monarch with regal power. It is the whole ceremony, not just the crowning.



The Queen's jubilee is a national celebration that marks the anniversary of her becoming the monarch. In 2022, it will be the Queen's Platinum Jubilee which will celebrate her being on the throne for 70 years.



London is the capital city of England. It is the biggest city in Europe and is in the southeast of England. It has lots of famous landmarks, including the River Thames, Buckingham Palace, Big Ben and Westminster Abbey.

Key Vocabulary

capital city	A country's main city where government leaders work in government buildings.
chronological	Events in chronological order follow the order in which they happened.
coronation	The ceremony of crowning a monarch.
government	A group of people that rule a country and make laws, collect taxes and print money.
landmark	An important and historic building or monument that people like to visit.
jubilee	The celebration of an anniversary (the date of a special event).
monarch	A king, queen or emperor.
portrait	A painting, drawing or photograph of a person, usually of the face and shoulders.
prime minister	The current prime minister in the UK is Boris Johnson. He is the head of the government.
reign	How long someone is king or queen.
successor	The person who takes over from the current King or Queen.