

# Robert the Bruce, King of Scotland

Robert the Bruce, or \_\_\_\_\_, was King of Scotland from \_\_\_\_\_ until his \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_. He is known for the important role he played in leading the way for Scottish \_\_\_\_\_.

Robert was known as the Bruce, as he was considered to be the head of the Bruce \_\_\_\_\_. Most people then spoke French or Gaelic and they referred to the head of the family that way.



He was born in Ayrshire, Scotland in \_\_\_\_\_. At an early age, he spoke 3 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and probably worked as a \_\_\_\_\_ for his father and grandfather.

After the death of \_\_\_\_\_, Robert was determined to win Scotland's \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_. He and his men attacked \_\_\_\_\_ several times, but were \_\_\_\_\_ each time. \_\_\_\_\_ was crowned as King of \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, and soon \_\_\_\_\_ all of Scotland. He held his first \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ and received the support of the church the following year.

During this time Robert and his men were often chased with bloodhound dogs by the English. On one occasion, he avoided capture by waking just before the enemy arrived. Robert the Bruce was encouraged to continue his fight against the English, by watching a \_\_\_\_\_ try to climb up a cave wall. The spider kept \_\_\_\_\_ yet finally \_\_\_\_\_ on the 13th attempt.

One of his biggest victories was at the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, when he defeated a large \_\_\_\_\_. The victory led to the establishment of an \_\_\_\_\_ Scotland. Robert the Bruce died in \_\_\_\_\_ and was buried in Dunfermline Abbey. His tomb was carved in Paris and decorated with gold leaf, some of which can still be seen today. There are several statues of Robert in Scotland, including one in \_\_\_\_\_, and his image has appeared on Scottish \_\_\_\_\_. An \_\_\_\_\_ has also been named after him.