

King Henry VIII

In 1509 Henry Tudor _____ (become) King of England under the name Henry VIII. He _____ (be) only 18 years old and he _____ (love) singing, reading and writing. After his brother's death he _____ (marry) his brother's widow, Catherine of Aragon. He _____ (want) a son but after 15 years of marriage Henry and his wife Catherine _____ (have) only one daughter Mary, but no sons. Therefore, he _____ (want) to divorce Catherine but the Pope, the Head of the Catholic Church, _____ (not let) him. He said: 'You cannot divorce her. She is your wife.'



However, Henry _____ (not listen) to the Pope, so he _____ (break) off relations with the Catholic Church and _____ (start) the Church of England.

Not long after that he _____ (marry) again. His second wife was Anne Boleyn. She _____ (give) birth to a daughter named Elizabeth. Henry and Anne's marriage _____ (not go) well. Anne Boleyn _____ (be) put in prison and was soon _____ (behead) at the Tower of London.



Jane Seymour _____ (become) Henry's third wife but she _____ (die) soon after she _____ (have) a baby son. Would the fact that he _____ (have) a son change Henry?

He _____ (get) married 3 more times. He _____ (marry) Anne of Cleves but he _____ (divorce) her in less than a year.

At the age of 49 he _____ (**get**) married for the fifth time. Catherine Howard _____ (**be**) 30 years younger than him and when he _____ (**see**) her with a younger man his soldiers _____ (**kill**) her.

Catherine Parr _____ (**be**) his last wife and she _____ (**be**) still alive when King Henry _____ (**die**) in 1547.

What _____ (**happen**) to his children? Henry's son Edward _____ (**become**) King of England at the age of 10 in 1547. King Henry's elder daughter Mary _____ (**come**) to the throne in 1553 but she _____ (**die**).

His daughter Elizabeth _____ (**become**) Queen of England in 1558 and _____ (**be**) one of the most famous queens. She _____ (**be**) queen for 45 years. She never _____ (**marry**) and _____ (**have**) no children.

