The History of the English Language

Where did the English we speak today come from?

CELTS
The first languages that we know about are the Celtic ones, like Welsh and Scots

ANGLO-SAXON
The Anglo-Saxons spoke the language, which over time turned into English

600 BC | **55 BC** | **450 AD** | **800 AD**

ROMANS
The Romans invaded and introduced Latin.

VIKINGS
The Vikings came from Scandinavia and invaded Britain.

NORMANS
Normans from France invaded England and introduced an early version of French.

PRINTING PRESS
With the introduction of the printing press, an interest in having a standard way of English came.

1066 AD | **1400 AD** | **1476 AD** | **1525 AD**

MIDDLE ENGLISH
(Middle) English gradually took over again from the early French.

ENGLISH BIBLE
The New Testament of the Bible was translated into English.

INVADING WORDS
Words from Latin and Greek made its way into the English language.

MODERN ENGLISH
The English you speak today is influenced by immigration and historical happenings (f.e. the British Empire).

16th Century | **16th Century** | **2000 AD** | **Future**

SHAKESPEARE
He invented many words, which are still in use today.

TECHNOLOGY
New technology is influencing English, and who knows where it will end?

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