

The World's Most Powerful Leaders

1. Fill in the gaps with the following words:

invincible (x2) expelled prowess in the wake forged
carried the weight moral fibre go to his head usher
unwavering cunning allying forge

2. Then match the descriptions to the pictures



Ghengis Khan



Henry the 8th



Julius Caesar



Hatshepsut



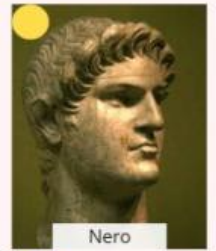
Cleopatra



Batu Khan



Queen Elizabeth I



Nero



Alexander the Great



Napoleon Bonaparte



Joan of Arc



Queen Victoria

This mighty ruler 1)_____ of the world on his shoulders at an early age when his mother claimed he was the son of Zeus, destined to completely reshape the world order. He was able to 2)_____ this path since his father equipped him with the most dangerous standing army. His 3)_____ commitment to his heroic narrative sent him on a crash course to turning a humble state into the largest and most influential empires and becoming one of the greatest leaders in history through passion and military 4)_____.

This unquestioned leader rose from humble beginnings as a lesser noble to control of a post-revolutionary country and later much of the continent. Feeling utterly 5)_____, he let his success 6)_____ and was eventually defeated by a stronger opponent. He was 7)_____ from his own country to spend the rest of life on a tiny island.

One of the longest-reigning monarchs in history, who survived eight assassination attempts to 8)_____ in a new era which was marked by sweeping advancements in science and technology, including the smallpox vaccine and the telegraph.

Although he may not be considered a great leader in terms of 9)_____, he was a key figure in shaping the landscape of the ancient world. He united nomadic tribes under one flag and 10)_____ a mighty empire that swept through China and Central Asia. His nomad horsemen proved almost completely 11)_____ in the field. Only his death by old age stopped his hordes from rewriting the history of Europe forever.

He was a towering figure of ancient times, a populist politician and brilliant military strategist who overthrew a corrupt republic and crowned himself dictator for life. His victory in a civil war led to a short-lived peace, but 12)_____ of his assassination, the civil war flared anew, and when it was over, the Republic was gone.

While many chapters of modern history have inaccurately described her as a seductive temptress whose extramarital affairs cost the country its rule, the reality of the matter is she was one of the most effective and dynamic rulers who led the country with great 13)_____ in the face of a mighty neighbour, 14)_____ with one Caesar and then another to keep her land independent.