



Queen Elizabeth II

Elizabeth II was born on April 21, 1926, in London. Elizabeth married Philip Mountbatten in November 1947, and they had four children - Prince Charles, Princess Anne, Prince Andrew, and Prince Edward.

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Elizabeth II became queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in 1952.. Elizabeth II became queen of Great Britain and Ireland upon the death of her father, George VI, in 1952. She was a popular queen who was also respected for her knowledge of and participation in state affairs.



Diana, Princess of Wales

- ❑ Princess Diana is one of the most loved women in the world. (1961 - 1997)
- ❑ Lady Di was famous for using her position and power to help the ones in need. "**People's Princess**" touched the lives of the sick, the homeless and everyday people with her warmth and humanity.
- ❑ Dubbed the "**Queen of Hearts**" by then Prime Minister of England, John Major, Diana, of one of the most fabled women of the century, "revived a staid monarchy with her vitality, charm, and glamour and ushered in a new age for the British monarchy".



Charles Dickens

(1812 - 1870)

Charles Dickens is one of the best English writers, he was born on 7 February 1812. Although his family was not poor by the standards of the time his father was arrested for debt. Little Charles began to work in a blacking warehouse. When his father was set free the boy was sent to school, where he did well, and at the age of fifteen began to work in a lawyer's office. Dickens was 19 when he became a reporter. While he was working for the newspaper «Morning Chronicle» he began to write novels.



Sir Isaac Newton

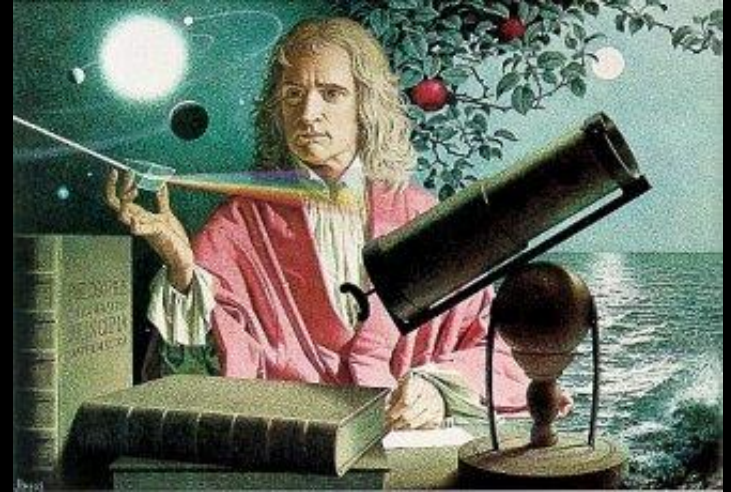
(1643 – 1727)

Newton, one of the greatest scientists of all times was born in 1642 in the little village in Lincolnshire, England. His father was a farmer and died before Newton was born. His mother was a clever woman whom he always loved.

It is interesting how he discovered the law gravitation. Once, as he sat at the garden, his attention was drawn by the fall of an apple. Many people saw such an usual thing before.

But it was Newton who asked himself a question: "Why does that apple fall perpendicularly to the ground? Why doesn't it go sideways or upwards?" The answer to this question was the theory of gravitation, discovered by Newton.

Newton died at the age of 84, and was buried in Westminster Abbey, where his monument stands today.



Horatio Nelson

(1758-1805)

Nelson was born at the Rectory of Burnham Thorpe, Norfolk, East England, UK, the son of the village rector Edmund Nelson and his wife Catherine. He attended schools at Norwich and North Walsham before entering the Royal Navy at Chatham in 1770.

In 1779 at the age of 20, he became captain of a frigate ship in the West Indies, and during the American War served under Admiral Robert Digby and later Lord Samuel Hood..



The next quiz for you is about famous people of Great Britain.
Listen to the following sentences and guess who these people are.
Choose the right answer.

1. She was a strong queen. She ruled the longest period in the English history.

Queen Victoria

During her reign Britain became a rich industrial country, an empire with a lot of colonies.

2. He played a great role in the history of the country. He was a famous seaman. He defeated the French fleet at the battle of Trafalgar. There is a monument to him in London.

Admiral Nelson.

3. She came to the throne in 1952. She was crowned in Westminster Abbey in 1953. She plays an important role in the country. She travels a lot.

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4. He did much for the glory of England. He wasn't only famous for his six wives. He was very talented: he was interested in music, books, and sports. He set his own church in England.

Henry VIII

- a. Queen Elizabeth II ;*
- b. Queen Victoria;*
- C. Admiral Nelson;*
- D. Henry VIII*