

XVI – XVII BB.

ENGLAND DURING AN ERA OF THE TUDOR DYNASTY

The first king of of the Tudor
dynasty Henry VII





England represented essential force in Europe, when young Henry VIII had come to the power in 1509.



Heinrich was very educated person. He played several musical instruments, composed songs.



Royalty and Reformation



He had only one child – Maria, but wished for a male heir. Therefore he asked permission of the Pope to divorce with the wife.

It had been refused, and Heinrich tore apart relationship with Rome. In 1534 he became the Supreme head of church in England, got divorced wife Ekaterina and discharged monasteries, selling their lands to cover military expenses.



Henry VIII had created the powerful English fleet. In 1536 the Mary Rose flagship had turned over and sunk. His balance was broken by 700 sailors who had been lined on the deck.



After Henry VIII's death his son Edward VI (1547-1553) who died at the age of 16 years, became the king.

Eduard was replaced by his stepsister Mary I (1553-1558), Ekaterina's daughter.



Century of Elizabeth



Elizabeth the first became the queen of England and Ireland in 1558. She ruled 45 years, and thanks to her active intervention in work of government, England entered stable period of cultural and economic growth.

- ▣ In the period of rule of the Tudor dynasty the power of England had increased, the country became free from influence of Rome, laying the foundation for future great empire – empress of the seas.

