



# Henry VIII wives

1509-1537



- Youngest surviving child of the 'Catholic Kings' of Spain.
- Age 3, promised to Henry VII eldest son Prince Arthur.
- Age 16, married Prince Arthur until he died 6 months later.
- Age 23, married King Henry VIII on June 11<sup>th</sup> 1509 in Greyfriars Church, Greenwich.
- Age 30, gave birth to Princess Mary.
- Age 47, King Henry divorced her to marry Anne Boleyn.
- Died 7<sup>th</sup> January 1536 of a broken heart, aged 50.

# Katherine of Aragon

16<sup>th</sup> December 1485 to 7<sup>th</sup> January 1536



- We don't know her date of birth, it is guessed to be 1501/02.
- She was a lady-in-waiting to Henry VIII's sister in France.
- She apparently had an extra finger on her left hand.
- Aged about 31, she married King Henry VIII on January 25<sup>th</sup> 1533 in Westminster Abbey.
- Aged about 31, she gave birth to Princess Elizabeth.
- Accused of witchcraft and treason she was sentenced to death by her own uncle.
- Died 19<sup>th</sup> May 1536 in the Tower of London, she was beheaded, aged about 34.

# Anne Boleyn

1501/02 to 19<sup>th</sup> May 1536



- We don't know her date of birth, it is guessed to be between 1504-09.
- She was Lady-in-waiting to Anne Boleyn .
- Aged between 27-32, she married King Henry VIII on 20th May 1536 in York Place.
- It is said that she was the favourite wife of Henry VIII.
- On 12<sup>th</sup> October 1537 she gave birth to Prince Edward.
- Jane grew sick after giving birth.
- She died on 24<sup>th</sup> October 1537, aged between 28-33.

# Jane Seymour

1504-09 to 24<sup>th</sup> October 1537

# What can you re-call?



What was Henry's first wife called?

Who did he love the most?

Is that fact or opinion?

Who gave birth to Elizabeth?



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1540-1547



- Born in Dusseldorf (Germany) in 1516.
- Holbein, a famous artist from the era, was commissioned to paint her portrait for Henry VIII before he met her.
- Age 24, married King Henry VIII on January 6<sup>th</sup> 1540 in Greyfriars Church, Greenwich.
- 4 months later she allowed King Henry VIII to have the marriage annulled.
- Henry ensured she was well taken care of and she lived a happy independent life with many homes in England.
- Died 1557 of illness aged 41.

# Anne of Cleves

1516 to 1557



- We don't know her date of birth, it is guessed to be 1521.
- She was a lady-in-waiting to Anne of Cleves and the cousin of the ill fated Anne Boleyn.
- Henry called her his 'Rose without a Thorn'.
- Aged about 19, she married King Henry VIII on July 28<sup>th</sup> 1540 in Oatlands Palace, Surrey.
- Accused of adultery she was sentenced to death.
- Died 13<sup>th</sup> February 1542 (6 years after her cousin) in the Tower of London, she was beheaded, aged about 20.

# Kathryn Howard

1521 to 13<sup>th</sup> February 1542





- Born in 1512. She was twice widowed and childless.
- Aged 30, she married King Henry VIII on 12<sup>th</sup> July 1543 in Hampton Court Palace.
- Henry tried to have her sentenced to death but was unsuccessful
- Henry passed away 28<sup>th</sup> January 1547.
- She promptly married Thomas Seymour, brother of Jane Seymour, as soon as Henry died.
- Katharine had a baby girl on the 30<sup>th</sup> August 1548 but soon became ill and passed away 6 days later aged 35.

# Katharine Parr

1512 to 5<sup>th</sup> September 1548

# What can you re-call?

Quiz time



What was Henry's fourth wife called?

Which cousins were both married to Henry and both sentenced to death?

Who was Thomas Seymour?

Which is your favourite wife?