**Henry VIII**

28 June 1491 - 28 January 1547

King of England - Tudor Dynasty

**Personal facts**

* son of Henry VII and Elizabeth of York
* married 6 times
* became severely obese at the end of his life, provoking his death in 1547
* described as a lustful, harsh, egotistical and insecure king

**Reign:**

- disagreement with the Pope
- separation of the Church of England from the Church of Rome
- Head of the Church of England
- greatly expanded royal power
- led numerous and costly continental wars
- long personal rivalry with Francis I of France and the Holy Roman Emperor Charles V

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**Who were Henry VIII’s 6 wives?**

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