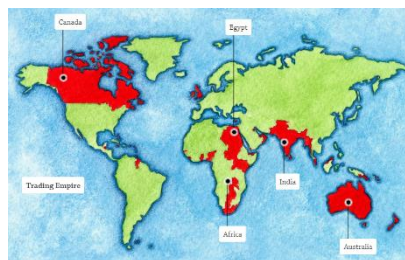


What should I already know?

- We have a Royal family.
- Our current Queen is called Elizabeth II.
- Queen Elizabeth I was a queen from long ago.



Vocabulary:

demand	A request.
reign	A period of rule of a monarch.
language	A way of communicating - spoken or written.
opera	A building for a performance of music (opera).
widow	A woman who lost her husband by death and did not marry again.
throne	An significant chair for an important person.

Changes within Living Memory:

- Britain became the most powerful country in the world.
- The number of people living in Britain more than doubled, causing a huge demand for food, clothes and housing.
- Factories and machines were built.
- Railways meant that people could travel easily around the country for the first time.

Key Facts:

- She was only 18 when she came to the throne.
- Her reign spanned 64 years.
- Her parents were Prince Edward (Duke of Kent) and Princess Victoria Mary Louisa (of Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld)
- She was born on 24th May 1819 - her father died 8 months after she was born.
- She was born at Kensington Palace, London.
- Victoria's first language was German and she did not go to school.
- At the age of 21, Victoria married her cousin Albert on the 10th February 1840.
- They had nine children, 40 grandchildren and 37 great grandchildren.
- Victoria was known for wearing black after the death of her husband Albert.
- Victoria enjoyed singing, painting and drawing. She even loved going to the opera.
- Queen Victoria died on 22nd January 1901, at Osbourne House on the Isle of Wight. She was 81 years old.

Life of Queen Victoria:

- Birth and family.
- Reign.
- Marriage.
- Widowhood.
- Later Years.



