



Year 5: All the World's a Stage



1 Terms	Definitions
Tudor period	When the Tudor family were on the throne between 1485 – 1603
Elizabethan Era	During the Tudor times, when Queen Elizabeth I was on the throne between 1558 and 1603
Monarchy	A form of government where the monarch (king or queen) is at the head.
Propaganda	Information that tries to persuade people to do or believe something. It is misleading and biased . Elizabeth I controlled her image as her portraits deliberately made her look younger.
Historical Interpretation	Events in the past can be interpreted in different ways because it is possible to understand the same event in different ways.
Land use	Land use is the function of land , what it is used for (e.g. farming, housing).
Human and physical features	Human features are man-made: houses, factories, roads etc. Physical features are natural and would be there even if no people were (trees, meadows etc)
Estuary	an area at the end of a river that is in between land and the ocean
Riverbank	The land along the edge of a river

2. The Tudor Monarchy

- The **Tudors** were a Welsh-English family that ruled England and Wales from 1485 to 1603.
- During their **reign**, they encouraged new religious ideas, overseas exploration and **colonisation** (taking over others' lands).
- There were 6 Tudor Kings and Queens:
- Henry VII - 1485-1509 Henry VIII - 1509- 1547
- Edward VI - 1547-1553 Jane Grey - July 1553
- Mary I - 1553-1558
- Elizabeth I - 1558-1603 (succeeded by **James 1** which began the **Jacobean era**)



Life during the Tudor times 1485 – 1603

- Many historians considered it to be the golden age in English History. England experienced prosperity and the arts flourished.
- Historians know about Tudor life in Britain from **sources** e.g. portraits; letters, diaries and manuscripts, artefacts. Historian Dr **Sam Caslin** argues sources (**Tide letter 1554**, **Great Seal**) tell us that near death experience as a child made Elizabeth more aggressive as a monarch.

3. William Shakespeare

- He was born on the 23rd April 1564 in Stratford Upon Avon.
- He married Anne Hathaway in 1582.
- He died in 1616.
- William and his business partners built the Globe Theatre in London.



- Shakespeare wrote tragedies (Othello) and comedy plays (Much Ado About Nothing).
- Historians use **primary sources**, such as his will, manuscripts of plays and portraits, to understand more about his life.
- Elizabethans liked to go to the theatre to watch plays.

4. Stratford Upon Avon

- Stratford Upon Avon is Shakespeare's birth place.
- It is **located** (where it is) 39 miles south east of Birmingham.
- Main tourist attractions include: Anne Hathaway's Cottage; Shakespeare's birthplace; Mary Arden's Farm (where Shakespeare's mother lived).

Stratford Upon Avon

Population: 120,000
It is a small **town** in a **rural** (countryside) setting.
2.5 million tourists visit each year



Birmingham

Population: 2,200,000
It is the second largest **city** in the UK.
It is a large **urban** (built up) area.



- The River Avon flows through Stratford Upon Avon.
- It is the UK's 19th longest river, at just over 120 km.
- It flows from its **source** (where a river begins) near Chipping Sodbury in the Cotswolds, to its **mouth** (where a river joins the sea) at the Severn.
- Rivers are important for cities and towns, as the **estuary** provides fresh water and transport links.

