

Absolute English Monarchs

Mary Queen of Scots and Henry Stuart

- **Parents of James I**
- **Mary was involved in a plot to kill her husband, he did die after a gunpowder explosion blew up his quarters.**



James I

- He was raised by his mother's enemies and taught that his mother killed his father.
- He was a nervous and confused child.



James I

- Despite his homosexual tendencies, James I fathered 6 children, with 3 not reaching adulthood, however, with his wife Anne.



James I

- Took over with Elizabeth's death.
- Known for his slobbering as well as his vulgar language and crude jokes.



The Rule of James I



- **Persecuted the Catholics**
- **Frequently clashed w/ Parliament over money issues**
- **Dissolved Parliament**
- **Was responsible for the creation of the King James Bible- used in many Protestant churches today.**
- **Died at age 59 of possibly a stroke or kidney failure**

Charles in Charge

After a sickly childhood, he grew up to be 5' 4" tall.

Stubborn and strong-willed.



Charles: Personal Life ○

- Wished to form an alliance with Spain and married Henrietta Maria. He was 25, she was 14. On their first meeting, she saw him and burst into tears!



Reign of Charles I



- **Imprisoned foes w/o trials**
- **Needing funds, he called Parliament**
- **Agreed to the Petition of Right**
- **Dissolved Parliament**
- **Arrested Parliamentary members, sparking the English Civil War**

Cavaliers Vs. Roundheads

- **Cavaliers-** supporters of Charles
- **Roundheads-** supporter of Parliament
- **Cromwell-** military leader of Parliament



The End of Charles

- Charles is defeated by Cromwell and his roundheads.
- Charles is put on trial, convicted, and beheaded.



Gunpowder Review Questions

- **Where was James I from?**
- **Why did the gunpowder plot come about?**
- **How was the plot to unfold?**
- **How did the Parliament and James find out about the plot?**
- **Describe what occurred to Guy Fawkes.**
- **Why is there still a Guy Fawkes Day celebrated today in England?**

11 Years Without a King

**OLIVER
CROMWELL
WAS
NAMED
LORD
PROTECTOR
OF
ENGLAND.**



Charles II is put on the throne.

- **Known as the Restoration.**
- **Famous for his many mistresses.**



Nell Gwynne



- **Most famous of Charles' mistresses.**
- **Bore him 2 sons.**
- **Attempts made on her life.**



James II

· AFTER,
CHARLES II,
HIS YOUNGER
BROTHER
JAMES II
WOULD TAKE
THE THRONE.

· HE WAS 51
YEARS OLD.



Ambition knows no bound



- **James II's rule was questioned by Charles II's eldest son, James Duke of Monmouth, who had dreams of becoming king himself.**



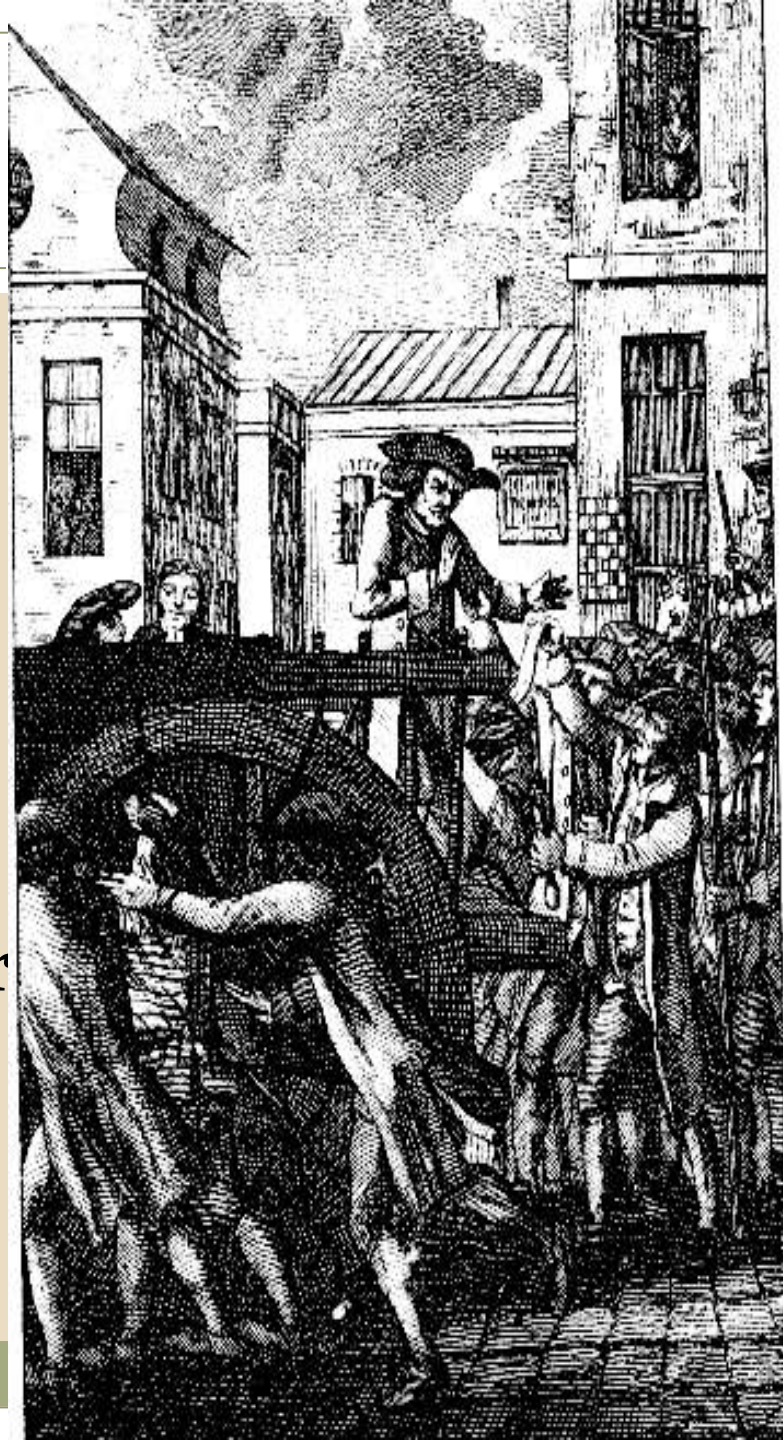
Background ○

- **James Duke of Monmouth planned a rebellion to overthrow James II.**
- **James II did not believe his brother Charles II even had this boy as the mistress “died of a disease indicative of her profession.”**
- **James II had James Duke of Monmouth executed for high treason.**



The Execution

- His execution was botched by the executioner Jack Ketch. He needs to five whacks with the ax to behead him.
- After failing numerous times to completely sever the head from the body, he used a knife to finish the job.



James II's Rule



- **James II feared that even though he tolerated Protestants, they would eventually turn on him.**
- **James II abdicates the throne to his daughter Mary who was married to his nephew William of Orange.**
- **James II flees to France where he lives at Versailles for the rest of his life.**

William and Mary

- **Take the throne without any bloodshed**
- **This is known as the Glorious Revolution**



