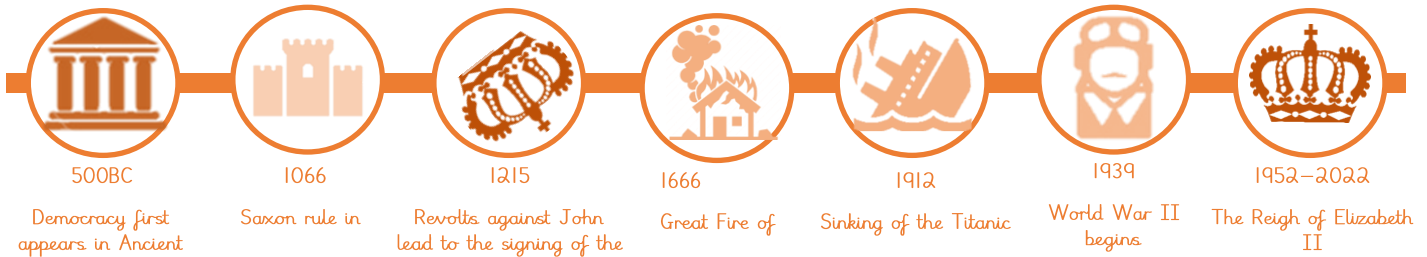




# How has the power of monarchy changed over time?

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## When? – Historical Context



## What? – Key Events

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| 1066      | William 'The Conqueror', Duke of Normandy defeats Harold Godwin at the battle of Hastings and establishes himself as King of England.                                  |
| 1066–1086 | William orders for a comprehensive survey, called The Domesday Books of his realm to consolidate his power                                                             |
| 1215      | King John forced to sign the Magna Carta by his barons                                                                                                                 |
| 1258      | Simon De Montfort leads a revolt against King Henry III, establishing the first Parliament                                                                             |
| 1534      | Henry VIII breaks with Rome and establishes himself as the Head of the Church of England                                                                               |
| 1645      | The English Civil War is won by Parliamentarians, and the monarchy is abolished. Charles I is executed as Oliver Cromwell rules as 'Lord Protector'                    |
| 1660      | The Restoration—Charles II is reinstated as Monarch                                                                                                                    |
| 1688      | William III and Mary II are placed on the throne at the request of Parliament, the country's first Constitutional Monarchs in what is known as the Glorious Revolution |
| 1721      | Robert Walpole becomes the 'first Prime Minister'                                                                                                                      |
| 1936      | Edward VIII brings about an abdication crisis by trying to marry Wallis Simpson, a divorcee                                                                            |
| 2023      | Charles III, our current Monarch, is coronated at Westminster Abbey                                                                                                    |

## Where?



## Key Vocabulary

|                        |                                                                                           |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monarch                | A sovereign head of state, especially a king, queen                                       |
| Absolute monarch       | A form of government where a monarch rules with supreme, unlimited power                  |
| Constitutional monarch | Where the powers of the monarchy are limited by a constitution                            |
| Parliament             | Elected politicians who make laws and rule in the name of a monarch                       |
| Reign                  | The period of time a monarch rules for                                                    |
| Democracy              | a system of government by the whole population or all the eligible members of a state,    |
| Magna Carta            | A Royal charter which first established the rights of 'common' people by a monarch        |
| succession             | Inheriting a title or role                                                                |
| Commonwealth           | What England was referred to when Oliver Cromwell led the country following the Civil War |
| Abdicate               | renounce or give up the throne                                                            |

## Who (key people)



William I

Ruled as an absolute monarch from 1066.



John

Forced to sign the Magna Carta by rebellious barons



Edward VIII

Abdicated in 1936 in order to marry a divorcee

## Learning Links



Year 1 – King John used Warwick Castle as a base to intimidate his rebellious barons



Year 5

Democracy was an idea introduced in Ancient Greece



Reception

Guy Fawkes was an example of someone who was unhappy