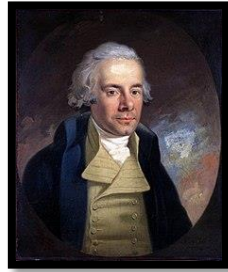


The British Empire



Queen Elizabeth I
Defeated the Spanish Armada to show control of the seas

Robert Clive
Army Captain who helped the Empire's control in India

William Wilberforce
Campaigner to abolish slavery. Died 3 days after the 1833 Act.

Term	Explanation
Legacy	Something that is handed down from one period of time to another period of time.
Industrial Revolution 1760-1840	The Industrial Revolution was a time when manufacturing of goods moved from small shops/homes to large factories.
America War of Independence	1775– 1783 The British were defeated and recognised USA as an independent country.
Slavery Abolition Act 1833	This called for the immediate abolishment (end) of slavery in most parts of the British Empire.
Empire	An 'empire' is a group of countries ruled over by a single monarch or ruling power.
Colonies	A country under the full or partial political control of another country and occupied by settlers from that country

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The British Empire is a **term used to describe all the places around the world that were once ruled by Britain.**

Key Facts:

- British Empire was between 1600 – 1997.
- Over ¼ the world's population & the world's area.
- The years 1815 to 1914 are referred to as Britain's imperial century.
- Some of the colonies of the **British Empire** were: Canada, Australia, New Zealand, India, Egypt, Kenya.
- The **East India Company** controlled over half the world's trade.
- Trading of spices, gold, coffee, cotton, sugar brought great wealth to the Empire.

Legacy of the Empire

- Use of the English language around the world
- Sports developed in Britain played around the world
- Formation of the Commonwealth of Nations
- Spread of Christianity (Protestantism)
- Trade around the world: spices, silk, coffee, sugar
- Reputation
- Development of factories and industries



Atlantic Slave Trade

The **Atlantic slave trade** involved the transportation by mainly European slave traders of enslaved African peoples, mainly to the Americas and existed from the 16th to the 19th centuries. This action is an horrendous stain on the Empire's history.

Stone Age

Ancient Egypt

Bronze Age

Maya civilisation

Iron Age

Roman Britain

Anglo-Saxons

Viking Britain

British Empire

World War One

15000BC – 2500BC

3100BC – 332BC

3000BC – 800BC

2000BC – 1500AD

800 BC - 43AD

43 AD – 410AD

410 - 1066AD

793 - 1066

1600 - 1997

1914-1918