The Wars of the Roses were a series of dynastic wars for the throne of England. They were fought by the two rival families of Lancaster and York.

***Tudor Royal Family***

**Elizabeth I**

Henry VII was a known figure at court, sportsman, popular and chivalry education. When it was clear that the pope would not declare his first marriage invalid, he broke with Rome church and he founded the Anglicanism Church. Thanks to the Act of Supremacy he could married mistress Anna Boleyn.

Elizabeth I had a strong personality, she had received an excellent education and could speak French, Latin and Italian. As Queen she faced the problem of marriage succession, religious division, domestic discontent and foreign threats. She was called “Virgin Queen” because she hadn’t any son/daughter. She won an epic battle against Spain during the invasion attempt by King Ferdinand. She reinforced trading position of England.

Spanish attacked England with a great armada of 130 galleons. Nevertheless England won the battle

**1588**

**1603**

Rejection by her father and the cruel treatment of her mother were to have a influence on Mary’s life. He was called “Bloody Mary” cause her attempt to restore the Roman church against the Anglicans

Henry VII Reinforced England’s trading position, laid the foundations of English naval power and he administered the state like a businessman.

Mary became queen and she tried to restore England to papal obedience.

**1553**

**1558**

**Mary I**

**1534**

Act of Supremacy, Henry VIII became “Supreme Head on Earth of the Church of England

He had a daughter with Catherina of Aragon, this means that there aren’t male ered.

Henry’s son married Catherine of Aragon to reinforce the alliance with Spain. After the Arthur’s death Catherine married Henry VII.

**1521**

He was granted the title of “Defender of the Faith”

**1547**

**King Henry VIII**

**1509**

**1501**

Elizabeth of York married Henry VII. They founded the Tudor Family

**King Henry VII**

**The Wars of the Roses**

**1485**

**1455**