

Richard III

Dynasty

When and why did Richard III become king (timeline)?

30 December 1460:

Richard's father, the Duke of York is killed at the Battle of Wakefield.

26th June 1483:

All the lords of England have met in London for young Edward V's coronation. Instead, Richard Duke of Gloucester asks to become king himself as young Edward V was born of an unlawful marriage.

Spring 1472:

Richard marries Anne Neville.

16th June 1483:

Young Richard Duke of York is taken to be with his brother young Edward V and the two of them are seen playing in the gardens.

7th August 1485:

Henry Tudor lands in Wales from France, intending to march through the country to fight King Richard III and defeat him.

6th July 1483:

Richard is crowned King Richard III. The princes are still recorded as being alive but are still in the Tower and not at the coronation.

1502:

A former servant of Richard III called James Tyrrell confesses – under torture - to the murder of the princes.

11th September 1483:

Some people rebel against Richard III. The rebels want to restore Edward V to the throne.

22nd August 1485:

Richard III is killed at the battle of Bosworth and Henry is made King Henry VII.

2nd October 1452:

Richard is born at Fotheringhay Castle in Northamptonshire. His parents are Richard and Cecily, Duke and Duchess of York.

9th April 1483:

King Edward IV becomes ill and dies. His 12-year-old son - also called Edward - is now King Edward V. Edward IV had named his younger brother Richard, Duke of Gloucester, as Lord Protector.

29th April 1483:

Young Edward V is escorted to London. On the way to London, he meets his uncle Richard, Duke of Gloucester.

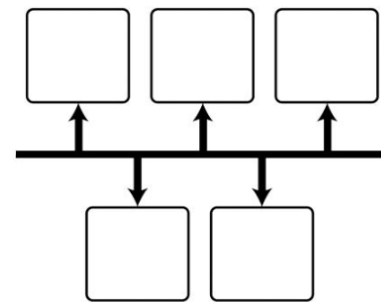
March 1461:

Richard's eldest brother, Edward, becomes King Edward IV. Richard is created Duke of Gloucester at the age of eight.

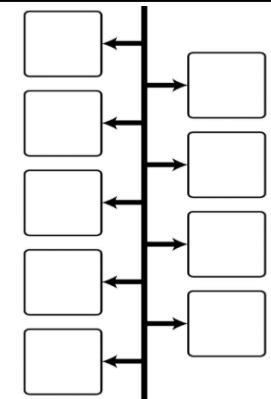
24th September 1483:

According to the Crowland Chronicle, a rumour spreads that the Princes are dead.

Using a selection of the facts that I have provided you with, I would like you to create a **timeline** of the important events in the life of Richard III. You do not need to use all of the information but the timeline will need to be in **chronological** order.



10th May 1483: Richard Duke of Gloucester places young Edward V in the Tower of London's royal apartments and prepares for the coronation. The Tower is the traditional place for kings awaiting coronation to stay.



4th May 1483: Richard and young Edward V reach London

1476: Richard and Anne have a son, they name him Edward.