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**The Tudors** - G. J. Meyer 2010
Meyer's fresh storytelling ability breathes new life into the history of the Tudor family and Tudor England's precarious place in world politics, the critical role religion played in government, and the blossoming of English theater and literature.

**The Tudors: King Takes Queen** - Michael Hirst 2008-04-15
Dissent rises in the kingdom of King Henry VIII of England. The king's ongoing dispute with the papacy over a desire for annulment is about to incite the Reformation, and his next step is to appoint a new archbishop in order to obtain his long-awaited marriage to
Anne Boleyn. All crests that once bore the initials "H & K" are promptly replaced with an intertwining "H & A," the first of many significant changes to come. The birth of the new royal couple's first child, Princess Elizabeth, is followed by the death of Katherine of Aragon. New legislation decrees that any who dare commit an act against the king - or the kingdom's newfound beliefs - will face extreme consequences. With her husband growing increasingly impatient, it becomes apparent that the only crime Anne could commit against her king would be to deny him a male heir. As pressures rise in the kingdom, those who once found themselves in the king's good graces foresee a somber end to their reign. This rich novelization of season two of The Tudors follows the complicated relationship between Henry and Anne through to its historically significant and dramatic conclusion.

**England Under the Tudors** - G.R. Elton

2018-09-24 ‘Anyone who writes about the Tudor century puts his head into a number of untamed lions’ mouths.’ G.R. Elton, Preface Geoffrey Elton (1921–1994) was one of the great historians of the Tudor period. England Under the Tudors is his major work and an outstanding history of a crucial and turbulent period in British and European history. Revised several times since its first publication in 1955, England Under the Tudors charts a historical period that witnessed monumental changes in religion, monarchy, and government - and one that continued to shape British history long after. Spanning the commencement of Henry VII's reign to the death of Elizabeth I, Elton’s magisterial account is populated by many colourful and influential characters, from Cardinal Wolsey, Thomas Cranmer, and Thomas Cromwell to Henry VIII and Mary Queen of Scots. Elton also examines aspects of the Tudor period that had been previously overlooked, such as empire and commonwealth, agriculture and industry, seapower, and the role of the arts and literature. This Routledge Classics edition includes a new foreword by Diarmaid MacCulloch.
Wideacre - Philippa Gregory 2017-05-02 Set in 18th century England, "Wideacre" introduces Beatrice Lacey, a heroine who makes Scarlett O'Hara look like a simpering weakling. Readers will fall in love with Philippa Gregory's mesmerizing trilogy.


The Private Lives of the Tudors - Tracy Borman 2016-05-19 'Borman approaches her topic with huge enthusiasm and a keen eye for entertaining...this is a very human story of a remarkable family, full of vignettes that sit long in the mind.' Dan Jones, The Sunday Times 'Tracy Borman's eye for detail is impressive; the book is packed with fascinating courtly minutiae... this is a wonderful book.' The Times 'Borman is an authoritative and engaging writer, good at prising out those humanising details that make the past alive to us.' The Observer 'Fascinating, detailed account of the everyday reality of the royals... This is a book of rich scholarship.' Daily Mail 'Tracy Borman's passion for the Tudor period shines forth from the pages of this fascinatingly detailed book, which vividly illuminates what went on behind the scenes at the Tudor court.' Alison Weir 'I do not live in a corner. A thousand eyes see all I do.' Elizabeth I

The Tudor monarchs were constantly surrounded by an army of attendants, courtiers and ministers. Even in their most private moments, they were accompanied by a servant specifically appointed for the task. A groom of the stool would stand patiently by as Henry VIII performed his daily purges, and when Elizabeth I retired for the evening, one of her female servants would sleep at the end of her bed. These attendants
knew the truth behind the glamorous exterior. They saw the tears shed by Henry VII upon the death of his son Arthur. They knew the tragic secret behind 'Bloody' Mary's phantom pregnancies. And they saw the 'crooked carcass' beneath Elizabeth I's carefully applied makeup, gowns and accessories. It is the accounts of these eyewitnesses, as well as a rich array of other contemporary sources that historian Tracy Borman has examined more closely than ever before. With new insights and discoveries, and in the same way that she brilliantly illuminated the real Thomas Cromwell - The Private Life of the Tudors will reveal previously unexamined details about the characters we think we know so well.


**The Tudors, A Very Peculiar History**-Jim Pipe 2012-01-20 The Tudors were an odd bunch, even weirder than their subjects, perhaps. When they weren't beheading wives and enemies they were threatening to, or going around earning themselves nicknames like 'Bloody Mary' and 'The 9 Day Queen'. 'The Tudors: A Very Peculiar History; tells the story of the Tudor monarchs, their castles, their lives and their subjects in a time when it was fashionable to slash up your clothes for that 'fresh from battle' look. The book details each monarch's reign and casts light on the more bizarre elements of their time in power, right down to an analysis of their seals and signatures and the various torture and execution methods they liked to use.

**The Tudors**-David Loades 2012-03-08 A new and comprehensive overview of the complete Tudor dynasty taking in the most recent scholarship.

**The Tudors: A Very Short Introduction**-John Guy 2013-08-29 Looks at the reigns of each of the Tudor monarchs.
The Tudor Kitchen - Terry Breverton 2015-09-15
A fascinating history of Tudor food and drink, from swan-neck soup to roasted-alive goose.

The Tudors - Richard Rex 2003
This text concentrates on the personalities of this great royal dynasty, their relations with one another and the differing efforts each made in maintaining the family's grip on the English throne.

The Tudors on Film and Television - Sue Parrill 2013-02-26
With its mix of family drama, sex and violence, Britain's Tudor dynasty (1485-1603) has long excited the interest of filmmakers and moviegoers. Since the birth of movie-making technology, the lives and times of kings Henry VII, Henry VIII, and Edward VI and queens Mary I, Jane Grey and Elizabeth I have remained popular cinematic themes. From 1895's The Execution of Mary Stuart to 2011's Anonymous, this comprehensive filmography chronicles every known movie about the Tudor era, including feature films; made-for-television films, mini-series, and series; documentaries; animated films; and shorts. From royal biographies to period pieces to modern movies with flashbacks or time travel, this work reveals how these films both convey the attitudes of Tudor times and reflect the era in which they were made.

Tudor History: A Captivating Guide to the Tudors, the Wars of the Roses, the Six Wives of Henry VIII and the Life of Elizabeth I - Captivating History 2019-01-23
Catherine Howard, and Katherine Parr Elizabeth I: A Captivating Guide to the Queen of England Who Was the Last of the Five Monarchs of the House of Tudor Five Tudor monarchs sat on the throne of England and Ireland from 1485 to 1603. The family earned their royal rights through strategic planning and battlefield prowess, and kept them because of intellect, strength and sheer determination. The Tudors, one of England's most powerful and famous royal dynasties, knitted together a fragmented and small island nation that became one of the world's financial, colonial and technological superpowers. There is so much more to the story of these kings and queens than beheadings, political marriages and the reformation of the church - but those events remain some of the family's most enthralling moments. Some of the topics covered in part 1 of this book include: The Tudors of Wales The Wars of the Roses Catherine of Valois, Mother of the Tudor Dynasty Margaret Beaufort, Second Tudor Matriarch King Henry VII Arthur Tudor King Henry VIII Margaret Tudor, Sister of Henry VIII Mary Tudor, Queen of France The Birth of the Church of England King Henry VIII: Wives Two and Three King Henry VIII: The Last Three Wives King Edward VI The Nine Days' Queen, Jane Grey Elizabeth Tudor Queen Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots And much more! Some of the topics covered in part 2 of this book include: A Short History of the House of Plantagenet Civil War in France England's Loss and a King's Illness Treason by the Duke of York The Battle of Northampton Margaret's Army Mortimer's Cross and the Battle of Towton York Takes the Throne The King in the Tower The Kingmaker Repents The Battles of Barnet and Tewkesbury The Death of a King The Final Plantagenet Kings Richard III and the Princes in the Tower The Battle of Bosworth The Foundation of the Tudor Dynasty Attempts on the Tudor Throne The Sainthood and Cult of King Henry VI The Legacy of the Wars of the Roses And much, much more! Some of the topics covered in part 3 of this book include: Henry Tudor Catherine of Aragon Mistress Elizabeth Blount Mistress Mary Boleyn Anne Boleyn Anne of Cleves Mistress Mary Shelton The Wooing of...
Jane Seymour Catherine Howard The Culpeper Affair Katherine Parr More Theories on Henry Tudor's Fertility The Illegitimate Children of Henry VIII And much more! Some of the topics covered in part 4 of this book include: The Birth of a Future Queen From Princess to Lady Elizabeth and the Royal Stepmothers The Teenaged Princess A Flurry of Successions Queen Elizabeth I Sir Francis Drake and the Elizabethan Settlements Mary, Queen of Scots and War with Spain Arts and Culture in Elizabethan England The End of the Tudor Dynasty And much, much more! So if you want to learn more about Tudor history, click the "add to cart" button!

Black Tudors-Miranda Kaufmann 2017-10-05 Shortlisted for the Wolfson History Prize 2018 A Book of the Year for the Evening Standard and the Observer A black porter publicly whips a white Englishman in the hall of a Gloucestershire manor house. A Moroccan woman is baptised in a London church. Henry VIII dispatches a Mauritanian diver to salvage lost treasures from the Mary Rose. From long-forgotten records emerge the remarkable stories of Africans who lived free in Tudor England... They were present at some of the defining moments of the age. They were christened, married and buried by the Church. They were paid wages like any other Tudors. The untold stories of the Black Tudors, dazzlingly brought to life by Kaufmann, will transform how we see this most intriguing period of history.

The Tudors-Siobhan Clarke 2020-01-04 The Tudors reigned through one of the England's most colorful periods--and no other dynasty has fascinated us as much. Beginning with Henry Tudor seizing the crown on the battlefield of Bosworth, The Tudors explores these compelling monarchs, including Henry VIII, famous for his six marriages and for breaking from Rome; "Bloody Mary" and her attempt to return England to Catholicism; and Elizabeth I, "Gloriana," who ushered in an era of discovery and innovation.
First of the Tudors - Joanna Hickson 2016-12-01
'A great tale... the golden thread that led to the crown of England' Conn Iggulden
Jasper Tudor, son of Queen Catherine and her second husband, Owen Tudor, has grown up far from the intrigue of the royal court. But after he and his brother Edmund are summoned to London, their half-brother, King Henry VI, takes a keen interest in their future. Bestowing Earldoms on them both, Henry also gives them the wardship of the young heiress Margaret Beaufort. Although she is still a child, Jasper becomes devoted to her and is devastated when Henry arranges her betrothal to Edmund. He seeks solace in his estates and in the arms of Jane Hywel, a young Welsh woman who offers him something more meaningful than a dynastic marriage. But passion turns to jeopardy for them both as the Wars of the Roses wreak havoc on the realm. Loyal brother to a fragile king and his domineering queen, Marguerite of Anjou, Jasper must draw on all his guile and courage to preserve their throne – and the Tudor destiny...

First published as part of the best-selling The Oxford Illustrated History of Britain, John Guy's Very Short Introduction to The Tudors is the most authoritative short introduction to this age in British history. It offers a compelling account of the political, religious and economic changes of the country under such leading monarchs as Henry VIII and Elizabeth I. The work has been substantially revised and updated for this edition. In particular, the reigns of Henry VII, Edward VI, and Philip and Mary are comprehensively reassessed.

The Rise of the Tudors - Chris Skidmore 2014-01-14
Recounts the rise of the Tudors from obscure Welsh gentry to powerful English monarchs and relates the events of the Battle of Bosworth Field in 1485, which resulted in the
death of Richard III and the victory of Henry Tudor.

**In Bed with the Tudors**-Amy Licence
2012-07-15 What went on behind closed doors in the Tudor Court? Comprehensive coverage of all the major Tudors: Henry VII, Elizabeth of York, Prince Arthur, Henry VIII, Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Catherine Howard, Catherine Parr, Henry VIII's various mistresses, Edward VI, Mary Tudor and Elizabeth I.

**A Heroes History of the Tudors**-William Webb
2006 Tells about the Tudor period, an amazing period of British history, when for the first time an Englishman sailed around the world, North America was discovered, printed books appeared and Spain tried to invade England.

**The Tudors: The King, the Queen, and the**

**Mistress**-Anne Gracie 2007-11-06 A fan's companion to the Showtime series about the early reign of Henry VIII offers a fictionalized recounting of the iconic monarch's dalliances with Katherine of Aragon and Anne Boleyn, as well as his political relationships with such figures as Sir Thomas More, Cardinal Wolsey, and Charles Brandon. Original. 15,000 first printing. (A Showtime series, starring Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Sam Neill, Natalie Dormer, Jonathan Northam, Henry Cavill, and others) (Historical Fiction)

**Tudors: The History of England from Henry VIII to Elizabeth I**-Peter Ackroyd 2013-10-08 Peter Ackroyd, one of Britain's most acclaimed writers, brings the age of the Tudors to vivid life in this monumental book in his The History of England series, charting the course of English history from Henry VIII's cataclysmic break with Rome to the epic rule of Elizabeth I. Rich in detail and atmosphere, Peter Ackroyd's Tudors is the story of Henry VIII's relentless pursuit of
both the perfect wife and the perfect heir; of how the brief reign of the teenage king, Edward VI, gave way to the violent reimposition of Catholicism and the stench of bonfires under "Bloody Mary." It tells, too, of the long reign of Elizabeth I, which, though marked by civil strife, plots against the queen and even an invasion force, finally brought stability. Above all, however, it is the story of the English Reformation and the making of the Anglican Church. At the beginning of the sixteenth century, England was still largely feudal and looked to Rome for direction; at its end, it was a country where good governance was the duty of the state, not the church, and where men and women began to look to themselves for answers rather than to those who ruled them.

Other Tudors: Henry VIII's Mistresses & Bastards—Philippa Jones 2017-03-07 Forget everything you thought you knew about Henry the Eighth. While Henry VIII has frequently been portrayed as a womanizer, author Philippa Jones reveals a new side to his character. Although he was never faithful, Jones sees him as a serial monogamist: he spent his life in search of a perfect woman, a search that continued even as he lay dying. This book brings together for the first time the 'other women' of King Henry VIII. When he first came to the throne, Henry VIII's mistresses were dalliances, the playthings of a powerful and handsome man. However, when Anne Boleyn disrupted that pattern, ousting Katherine of Aragon to become Henry's wife, a new status quo was established. Suddenly noble families fought to entangle the king with their sisters and daughters; if wives were to be beheaded or divorced so easily, the mistress of the king was in an enviable position. Yet he loved each of his wives and mistresses, he was a romantic who loved being in love, but none of these loves ever fully satisfied him; all were ultimately replaced. "The Other Tudors" examines the extraordinary untold tales of the women who Henry loved but never married, the mistresses who became queens and of his many children, both acknowledged and
unacknowledged. Philippa Jones takes us deep into the web of secrets and deception at the Tudor Court and explores another, often unmentioned, side to the King's character.

**The Tudors: It's Good to Be King** - 2007-04-24
Based on Showtimes hot new series "The Tudors"--an intimate and daring drama that portrays the early years of an idealistic, lustful tyrant torn between bedding his wives and mistresses while conquering Europe--this companion book offers a behind-the-scenes look at the show.

**The Little Book of the Tudors** - Annie Bullen 2020-02-21
What did a Tudor man wear under his doublet and hose? What was the show-stopping centrepiece at a royal Tudor wedding? Why did everyone, from the king downwards, fear the ‘sweating sickness’? The Tudors may have been a comparatively short-lived dynasty, lasting 118 years between 1485 and 1603, but during that time they made a lasting impression. The Little Book of the Tudors explores all aspects of life in the Tudor age from life at court to the day-to-day activities at the teeming taverns and plague-ridden cities of the Tudor kingdom. With a glimpse at the people, palaces and pastimes of the age, some amusing secrets of the Tudor medicine cabinet and closet, and stories from some of the most fabulous, eccentric and opulent entertainments of the age, this 'little book' will delight anyone with an interest in Tudor history.

**The Tudors** - Natalie Grueninger 2017-05-01
This unique and beautifully illustrated colouring book features images and scenes inspired by the ever-fascinating Tudor dynasty. It will provide hours of joy and relaxation, and is a great way to unwind after a hectic day. Quiet your mind and colour your way to peace, while nurturing your creativity and love of Tudor history. Suitable for children.
account of the murder, adultery, and religious turmoil that characterized England’s most infamous royal dynasty.

**The Tudors**-Jane Bingham 2017-07-31 The Tudors were an unforgettable dynasty who wielded absolute power during a remarkably turbulent time in English history. Each ruler's survival required a fierce struggle to maintain control - often against incredible odds. From Henry VII, England's last king to win the crown in battle, and the tyrannical Henry VIII with his succession of wives, to the fiercely Catholic 'Bloody Mary', and her sister, Elizabeth, the 'Virgin queen', Jane Bingham examines just how fairly history has treated these Tudor rulers. Both as politicians and as individuals, it is no wonder these larger-than-life monarchs still capture our imaginations today.

**Tudor**-Leanda de Lisle 2013-10-08 The Tudors are England’s most notorious royal family. But,
as Leanda de Lisle’s gripping new history reveals, they are a family still more extraordinary than the one we thought we knew. The Tudor canon typically starts with the Battle of Bosworth in 1485, before speeding on to Henry VIII and the Reformation. But this leaves out the family’s obscure Welsh origins, the ordinary man known as Owen Tudor who would fall (literally) into a Queen’s lap—and later her bed. It passes by the courage of Margaret Beaufort, the pregnant thirteen-year-old girl who would help found the Tudor dynasty, and the childhood and painful exile of her son, the future Henry VII. It ignores the fact that the Tudors were shaped by their past—those parts they wished to remember and those they wished to forget. By creating a full family portrait set against the background of this past, de Lisle enables us to see the Tudor dynasty in its own terms, and presents new perspectives and revelations on key figures and events. De Lisle discovers a family dominated by remarkable women doing everything possible to secure its future; shows why the princes in the Tower had to vanish; and reexamines the bloodiness of

Mary’s reign, Elizabeth’s fraught relationships with her cousins, and the true significance of previously overlooked figures. Throughout the Tudor story, Leanda de Lisle emphasizes the supreme importance of achieving peace and stability in a violent and uncertain world, and of protecting and securing the bloodline. Tudor is bristling with religious and political intrigue but at heart is a thrilling story of one family’s determined and flamboyant ambition.

The Man Behind the Tudors-Kirsten Claiden-Yardley 2020-01-27 Thomas Howard, 2nd duke of Norfolk, lived a remarkable life spanning eighty years and the reigns of six kings. Amongst his descendants are his granddaughters, Anne Boleyn and Catherine Howard, and his great-granddaughter, Elizabeth I. The foundations of this dramatic and influential dynasty rest on Thomas' shoulders, and it was his career that placed the Howard family in a prominent position in English society and at the Tudor royal court. Thomas was born into a fairly ordinary
gentry family, albeit distantly related to the Mowbray dukes of Norfolk. During the course of the fifteenth century, he and his father would rise through the political and social ranks as a result of their loyal service to Edward IV and Richard III. In a tragic turn of events, all their hard work was undone at the Battle of Bosworth and his father was killed fighting for King Richard. Imprisoned for treason and stripped of his lands and titles, Thomas had to start from the beginning to gain the trust of a new king. He spent the next thirty-five years devoting his administrative, military and diplomatic skills to the Tudors whilst rebuilding his family fortunes and ensuring that his numerous children were well-placed to prosper.

English Reformations - Christopher Haigh 1993

English Reformations takes a refreshing new approach to the study of the Reformation in England. Christopher Haigh's lively and readable study disproves any facile assumption that the triumph of Protestantism was inevitable, and goes beyond the surface of official political policy to explore the religious views and practices of ordinary English people. With the benefit of hindsight, other historians have traced the course of the Reformation as a series of events inescapably culminating in the creation of the English Protestant establishment. Haigh sets out to recreate the sixteenth century as a time of excitement and insecurity, with each new policy or ruler causing the reversal of earlier religious changes. This is a scholarly and stimulating book, which challenges traditional ideas about the Reformation and offers a powerful and convincing alternative analysis.

The Tudors - Timothy Venning 2014-05-30

Continuing his exploration of the pathways of British history, Timothy Venning examines the turning points of the Tudor period, though he also strays over into the early Stuart period. As always, he discusses the crucial junctions at which History could easily have taken a different turn and analyses the possible and likely results.
While necessarily speculative to a degree, the scenarios are all highly plausible and rooted in a firm understanding of actually events and their context. In so doing, Timothy Venning gives the reader a clearer understanding of the factors at play and why things happened the way they did, as well as a tantalizing view of what might so easily have been different. Key scenarios discussed in this volume include: Did the pretenders Lambert Simnel and Perkin Warbeck ever have a realistic chance of a successful invasion/coup? If Henry Fitzroy, Henry VIII's illegitimate son, had not died young, might he have been a suitable King or at least Regent on the King's death? What if Edward VI had not died at 15 but reigned into the 1560s and 70s? How might the Spanish Armada have succeeded in landing an army in England, and with what likely outcome?

**History, Fiction, and The Tudors**

William B. Robison 2017-02-11 This is the first book-length study of the award-winning historical drama The Tudors. In this volume twenty distinguished scholars separate documented history, plausible invention, and outright fantasy in a lively series of scholarly, but accessible and engaging essays. The contributors explore topics including Henry VIII, Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, his other wives and family, gender and sex, kingship, the court, religion, and entertainments.

**An Illustrated Introduction to the Tudors**

Gareth Russell 2014-10-17 The six monarchs of the Tudor dynasty are phenomenally well known. Henry VII succeeded in ending the Wars of the Roses, Henry VIII formed the Church of England and famously married six times: Katherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Catherine Howard and Katherine Parr. His three children, Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth I, would all ascend to the throne, as would his great-niece Lady Jane Grey. Between them they ruled for an eventful 118 years. This easy-to-follow introduction to the Tudors follows the major events and personalities of the age.
**The Tudors**-Jane Bingham 2012-07-24 A highly readable account of one of the great eras of history, a time that witnessed the Great Fire of London and the plague, as well as the age of Shakespeare, Bacon and Raleigh, the Reformation, exploration, and victory over the Spanish Armada.

**Ireland in the Age of the Tudors, 1447-1603**-Steven G. Ellis 2014-06-17 The second edition of Steven Ellis's formidable work represents not only a survey, but also a critique of traditional perspectives on the making of modern Ireland. It explores Ireland both as a frontier society divided between English and Gaelic worlds, and also as a problem of government within the wider Tudor state. This edition includes two major new chapters: the first extending the coverage back a generation, to assess the impact on English Ireland of the crisis of lordship that accompanied the Lancastrian collapse in France and England; and the second greatly extending the material on the Gaelic response to Tudor expansion.

**The Tudors in Love**-Sarah Gristwood 2021-09-23 A bestselling historian finds a new way to look at the most famous English royal dynasty.

**Medical Downfall of the Tudors**-Sylvia Barbara Soberton 2020-10-14 The Tudor dynasty died out because there was no heir of Elizabeth I's body to succeed her. Henry VIII, despite his six marriages, had produced no legitimate son who would live into old age. Three of the reigning Tudors (Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth I) died without heirs apparent, the most tragic case being that of Mary Tudor, who went through two recorded cases of phantom pregnancy. If it were not for physical frailty and the lack of reproductive health among the Tudors, the course of history might have been different. This book concentrates on the medical
downfall of the Tudors, examining their gynaecological history and medical records. Did you know that an archival source suggests that Henry VIII may have suffered from venereal disease or a urinary tract infection? Did you know that overlooked pictorial evidence suggests that Katharine of Aragon may have suffered from prognathism, a trait that ran through her family? It is generally assumed that Katharine of Aragon went through menopause by 1524, but primary sources tell a different tale. Did Katharine of Aragon really die in the arms of her lady-in-waiting, Maria de Salinas, Lady Willoughby? Did you know that Jane Seymour's coronation in 1537 was postponed and later cancelled because of the plague? She was originally to be crowned on 29 September 1536. Was Katherine Howard ever pregnant by Henry VIII? Did you know that available evidence suggests Mary I Tudor suffered from severe depression? Did you know that one of the maids of honour at the Tudor court had a C-section? How many pregnancies did Anne Boleyn have? Did you know that there is a hint in the primary sources that in 1534 Anne Boleyn had a stillbirth? Did you know that Henry VII didn't die in his bed? Was Katharine of Aragon's marriage to Prince Arthur consummated? How did Edward VI die?

101 Amazing Facts about the Tudors - Jack Goldstein 2014-08-13 Do you know the main difference between the diet of a Tudor nobleman and that of a peasant? What was it that changed Henry VIII from an active and pleasant young man into a vastly overweight tyrant? What did a gong farmer do? And what was the purpose of a whipping boy? All of these questions and more are answered in this excellent book containing over one hundred facts about the Tudors. Separated into sections covering each monarch of the era in detail as well as more general chapters with interesting, amusing and shocking facts, the book is perfect for anyone studying this fascinating period in English history as well as those with a general interest in the age.