

Plantagenet Kings (1154 to 1485)

Henry Plantagenet claims throne of England, to War of the Roses

Date	Event
1170	Murder of Saint Thomas a Becket
1172	Henry II conquers Ireland
1190	Richard Coeur de Leon goes on Third Crusade
1215	John Lackland signs Magna Carta
1265	Meeting of first Parliament arranged by Simon de Montfort
1284	Edward I conquers Wales
1291	Edward I conquers Scotland
1314	<i>Battle of Bannockburn</i> —Scots, under Robert Bruce regain their independence
1348-1349	Black Plague
1337-1453	<i>Hundred Year War</i> —England vs. France
1346	Edward III— <i>Battle of Crecy</i>
1356	Edward the Black Prince— <i>Battle of Poitiers</i>
1415	Henry V— <i>Battle of Agincourt</i>
1428	Joan of Arc— <i>Siege of Orleans</i>
1362	English becomes official legal language, displacing French
1381	<i>Wat Tyler Rebellion</i>
1399	Richard II deposed by Henry IV (Bolingbroke).
1400	Death of Geoffrey Chaucer, author of <i>Canterbury Tales</i>
1403	<i>Battle of Shrewsbury</i>
1455-1485	<i>War of the Roses</i> —Yorkists vs. Lancastrians
1461	Yorkists prevail at <i>Battle of Towton</i> ; Lancastrians exiled
1469	Lancastrians regain throne due to machinations of Earl of Warwick
1471	Yorkists again prevail at <i>Battle of Barnet</i>
1483	Richard III usurps throne at death of Edward IV.
1484	Henry Tudor defeats Richard III at <i>Battle of Bosworth Field</i>
1476	William Caxton bring a printing press to England. Publishes first book.