

The Reign of Elizabeth I The Golden Age of England



Elizabeth I. the Rainbow Portrait



Elizabeth and the Renaissance (*Renaissance means rebirth*)



 She ruled England for 45 years.

- There new advances in the fields of:
 - 1. Music
 - 2. Literature
 - 3. Architecture
 - 4. Seafaring (sailing)



Accomplishments under Elizabeth I

- England became a first rate power
- She and her forces
 defeated the Spanish
 Armada.
- At the time, the
 Spanish Armada was
 thought to be
 invincible.





Elizabeth I and the military



- Women did not serve in the military
- Being Queen, she was England's military leader.
- At times, Elizabeth would be on the battlefields to address her soldiers.
- During these addresses
 she would often be
 wearing armor.



Quoting Elizabeth addressing her soldiers...

"I know I have the body of a weak and feeble woman, but I have the heart and stomach of a king."
(Tilbury speech, 1588. See section on The Spanish Armada)



Elizabeth and her image

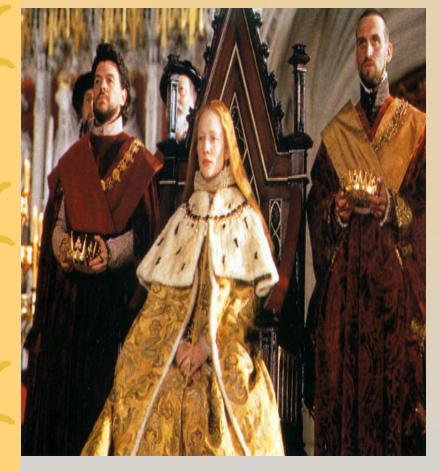
She is revered as being:
a. Polished
b. Powerful
She was the inspiration
for many paintings and
portraits
She was often depicted
in:

- a. Gorgeous gowns
- b. Elaborate hairdos

- Aside from being Queen, she was also regarded as:
 - a. Poet
 - b. Musician
 - c. Patron of the arts
 - d. A linguist (person who can speak more than one language.)



"The Virgin Queen"



- The term Virgin Queen referred to the fact that she never married.
- She never had children.
- * As a result, she never produced an heir to the English throne.



The Death of a Queen

- Upon her death, the throne went to
 Elizabeth's closest living relative, her cousin
 James.
- James ruled Scotland as James VI.
- When he became England's King, he ruled:
 - 1. England
 - 2. Ireland
 - 3. Scotland
- * He ruled England from

