Elizabethan England 1558-1588: Part 1 PLC

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| Key Topics | RAG Rating | | | Strategies for / Proof of Improvement |
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| * 1. **The situation on Elizabeth’s accession** | | | | |
| * Elizabethan society – the structure of society (e.g. nobility, gentry, landless poor etc), population size, key features of society. |  |  |  |  |
| * Elizabethan government – different aspects of government and their roles and responsibilities (e.g. Privy Council, Parliament etc) |  |  |  |
| * The context of Elizabeth coming to the throne |  |  |  |
| * Problems facing Elizabeth in 1558 (illegitimacy, foreign threats, finances, gender, religion) |  |  |  |
| **1.2 The settlement of Religion** | | | | |
| * The importance of religion in Elizabethan England and the differences between Puritans, Protestants and Catholics. Geographical location of religions. |  |  |  |  |
| * The Religious Settlement (Act of Uniformity, Act of Supremacy and Royal Injunctions). Key features of each. |  |  |  |
| * Knowledge of ways in which the Religious Settlement was successful and ways in which it was not. |  |  |  |
| **1.3 Changes to the Religious Settlement** | | | | |
| * The reasons for the Puritan Challenge and the Crucifix and vestment Controversy |  |  |  |  |
| * The Catholic threat from home: recusants, the catholic nobility |  |  |  |
| * The Catholic threat from abroad: growing papal opposition, the role of France |  |  |  |
| * The start of problems with Spain: the Dutch Revolt and the Genoese Loan |  |  |  |
| **1.4 The problem of Mary, Queen of Scots** | | | | |
| * The significance of Mary, Queen of Scots re: her claim to the English throne. |  |  |  |  |
| * The implications for Elizabeth of Mary’s arrival in England in 1568 |  |  |  |
| * Relations between Elizabeth and Mary, 1568-1569 |  |  |  |
| **Types of question on the exam paper** | | | | |
| * ‘Describe two features of……’ |  |  |  |  |
| * Causation – ‘Explain why….’ |  |  |  |
| * Evaluation – [statement]. How far do you agree? |  |  |  |