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This easy-to-read Kindle edition, equivalent in length to a physical book of approximately 50 pages, consists of articles especially written for the esteemed multi-volume reference work "World Book: Organized Knowledge in Story and Picture" (1919 edition) plus newly written profiles of monarchs since that time. Learn about the lives and reigns of 48 English monarchs, from the ninth century to the present day, including Alfred the Great, William the Conqueror, Richard the Lion-hearted, Richard III, Henry VIII, Elizabeth I, Oliver Cromwell, George III, Victoria, and Elizabeth II. Also included are descriptions of the Houses of Lancaster, York, Tudor, and Stuart.

Sample passage:

Anne Boleyn did not long retain the affection of her royal master [Henry VIII], and in 1536 she was beheaded on the charge of unfaithfulness. Her daughter, the Princess Elizabeth, became in time Queen Elizabeth I, or "Good Queen Bess," one of the most illustrious rulers of history. Jane Seymour, Henry's third wife, was the mother of a prince who later ruled as Edward VI. On the death of Jane, the king married a German princess, Anne of Cleves, the arrangements for this union being made by Cromwell. Henry's dislike for his wife resulted in another divorce and in the disgrace and death of the minister who had brought about the marriage. The fifth wife, Catharine Howard, was soon sent to the block, because it was proved that she had been guilty of misconduct before marriage. In 1543 Henry married his sixth and last wife, Catharine Parr, who succeeded in outliving her husband.

The outstanding feature of Henry's reign is the separation of the Church of England from the Church of Rome, an event that sometimes overshadows his constructive work as a creator of the English navy. While other monarchs were creating standing armies, he was bringing the sailing warship to perfection, laying the foundation for England's mastery of the seas.

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