



# HistoryLive!

**Overview:** This resource pack is designed to offer a framework and some fun ideas for a regular School Radio show centred on historic events.

The basic idea is to allow the presenters to bring historic events to life by reporting about them on your School Radio system as if they were breaking news or events happening today.

Imagine the BBC providing extended 'Royal Wedding' style coverage of execution of Anne Boleyn or 'breaking news' of the Great Fire of London!

By setting these historic events in a modern media context, students will need to develop an understanding of the events, what it felt like to be there and how to describe the events to audience.

The finished program should provide an interesting and informative account of the event or historic period that is easily accessible to other students and demonstrates the students' knowledge of the subject.

Key skills used include:

- Research and preparation.
- Empathy for the atmosphere and key historic figures.
- Development of description text and scripts to help set the scene and tell the story.
- Dramatic interpretation of historic events.
- Spoken language skills, formal presentations & participating in debate
- Development of confidence & competence in spoken language

## National Curriculum References

### Key Stage Goals

English

- **Statutory Requirement (Spoken Language, Years 1 -6):** Pupils should be taught to:
  - *ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge. (page 18)*
  - *articulate and justify answers, arguments and opinions. (page 18)*
  - *give well-structured descriptions, explanations and narratives for different purposes, including for expressing feelings. (page 18)*