**England in the 1700s**

**The parliament**

Parliament now controlled the country

A prime minister and main parties now existed.

Still elected by a small group of wealthy men.

**The Crown**

First the Protestant nephew of James VII, William of Orange became King, and later a relative of Queen Anne, the German George of Hanover, took the throne.

Rulers now ruled under Parliament after the Glorious Revolution of 1688 and the Bill of Rights of 1689.

Parliament now controlled taxation, justice and the army.

**The people**

There were 5m men and women in 1700.

63% were literate

Most were Protestant

45% lived in the countryside and worked on the land

**The church**

The Church was now Protestant

The monarch was forbidden to marry a Catholic until 2013!

The King was Head of the Church.