

BBC Sounds have released a new show called 'Homeschool History, a fun, 15minute history lesson for the whole family, presented by Horrible Histories' Greg Jenner. It is full of facts (and jokes) and brings to life a range of historical topics that are linked to the school curriculum.

Week 1: The Restoration

This episode is about one of our most famous kings: Charles II. There is a quiz at the end of the show to see how well you were listening - it might be a good idea to have a pencil and some paper ready to take notes.

- 1. Who had been Lord Protector after King Charles I was executed?
- 2. Before returning to England to become King, where had Charles II been living?
- 3. Which famous actress was also King Charles' girlfriend?
- 4. What was the posh Latin word for the people who had executed King Charles I?
- 5. What did King Charles II unsuccessfully try to ban for fear that people were gossiping about him?

When you have finished, look up some pictures of Charles II - you will see that the fashion was VERY different to today. Have a go at making a portrait of yourself, or a member of your own family in the style of these 17^{th} century paintings.