

### Learning Objective

• To understand why Philip II ordered the Spanish to attack England and explain why it failed.

#### Success Criteria

- To understand the causes of the Spanish Armada.
- To analyse the reasons for the failure of the Spanish Armada.
- To evaluate Elizabeth's reaction to the failure of the Armada.

# Guess What Is Happening



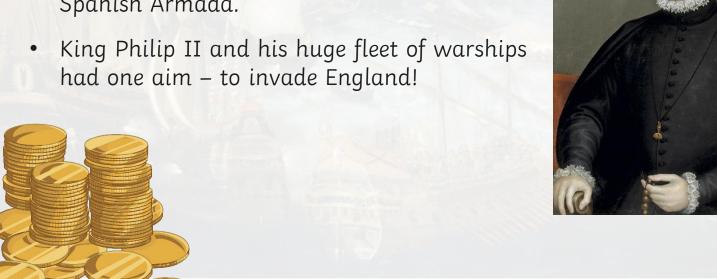
### **Background Information**

 In the 16th Century, Spain was the richest and most powerful country in the world.

Spanish ships were at sea, discovering new land and bringing back

treasures and gold for their King, Philip II.

• In 1588, King Philip II set every shipyard in Spain to work to build the biggest fleet of ships the world had ever seen - the Spanish Armada.



#### Causes of the Armada





- Read through the Causes of the Spanish Armada.
- Rank the causes from the most important cause of the Armada to the least important.

This is your opinion, you can't be wrong, but you do need to be able to justify your reasons.



# **Chronology Task**

Sort the cards into chronological order. Make sure you read them very carefully!









Read through the four sources and explain what the sources tell you about the reasons for the Failure of the Spanish Armada.



### **Extended Writing**



Using all of the evidence you have collected, explain why Philip II was unsuccessful in his attempt to invade England in 1588.

#### Success Criteria

Explain all the reasons for the failure of the Armada and remember to explain which reason you think is the most important.



## Plenary

Write a tweet to explain the reaction of Elizabeth I to the defeat of the Spanish.



