

## An Alternative History Of Britain The English Civil War

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This work is a thought-provoking look at the original 13 colonies, presenting the facts and engaging the reader by using alternate history—what if key events had turned out differently?—to help develop critical thinking skills.

A guide through the many publications on 20th-century British history, this reference contains over 27,000 entries arranged by theme, with introductions to each chapter.

A Vertical Empire provides a description of the British rocketry and space programme from the 1950s to 1970s, detailing the Medium Range Ballistic Missile Blue Streak and its conversion to a satellite launcher as part of the European Launcher Development Organisation (ELDO). This extensively revised second edition includes material only made available in the past ten years and the text is supplemented by numerous photographs, sketches and statistics. The all-British satellite Black Arrow is described, as well as the research rocket Black Knight, the Blue Steel missile and the rocket powered interceptor aircraft.

Contents: Rocket Motors Rocket Interceptors Blue Steel Blue Streak — The Origins Blue Streak — The ‘Underground Launcher’ Blue Streak — The Cancellation BSSLV The European Launcher Development Organisation — ELDO Europa Black Knight Black Knight and the Re-entry Experiments Black Arrow The ‘Might Have Beens’ Readership: Readers interested in the history of technology and enthusiasts of British technology. Keywords: Blue Streak; Black Arrow; Black Knight; Blue Steel; Rocket Motor Key Features: It is the only work to give a full and complete overview of the programme There are certain areas which are covered only in this book — e.g. the Black Knight research rocket A large amount of new material has become available in various archives over the past ten years, and this material has been incorporated into the new edition Reviews: “The technical evolution and never-ending political debates associated with those missile projects are presented in great detail in this well-written and meticulously researched volume.” The Observatory Magazine “This book is to be highly recommended for its objectivity and realistic appraisal of an inspiring example of a can-do spirit. It is required reading for anyone seeking the truth about how Britain let slip one of its greatest engineering opportunities and was profoundly let down by a political elite that abandoned UK skill and world-class performance.” Spaceflight “Hill offers a series of fascinating snapshots on some of the technical and political issues these rocketry and missile programmes faced, often accompanied by his own thoughts and opinions along the way. ” The Aeronautical Journal

This volume examines the evolution of British historical drama from John Osborne's 1956 landmark *Look Back in Anger* to the 1980s. Peacock illustrates how the ruling group within a society establishes a cultural hegemony by which it perpetuates its values and demonstrates how the historical drama of the period was employed as a weapon in an assault upon this cultural hegemony. Among dramatists examined are Howard Brenton, Trevor Griffiths, Edward Bond, and David Edgar. The study analyzes how the revolutionary and social movements of the period, including the women's movement, are reflected in its historical drama and speculates on the future of British historical drama in the changing political climate of the 1990s.

The cinema was the most popular form of entertainment during the Second World War. Film was a critically important medium for influencing opinion. Films, such as *In Which We Serve* and *One of Our Aircraft is Missing*, shaped the British people's perceptions of the conflict. *British War Films, 1939-45* is an account of the feature films produced during the war, rather than government documentaries and official propaganda, making the book an important index of British morale and values at a time of desperate national crisis.

### The Tudors Pen and Sword

The crime film genre consists of detective films, gangster films, suspense thrillers, film noir, and caper films and is produced throughout the world. Crime film was there at the birth of cinema, and it has accompanied cinema over more than a century of history, passing from silent films to talkies, from black-and-white to color. The genre includes such classics as *The Maltese Falcon*, *The Godfather*, *Gaslight*, *The French Connection*, and *Serpico*, as well as more recent successes like *Seven*, *Drive*, and *L.A. Confidential*. *The Historical Dictionary of Crime Films* covers the history of this genre through a chronology, an introductory essay, and an extensive bibliography. The dictionary section has over 300 cross-referenced entries on key films, directors, performers, and studios. This book is an excellent access point for students, researchers, and anyone wanting to know more about crime cinema.

A fascinating 2005 study of the place of alternate histories of Nazism within Western popular culture.

*Home Truths* uncovers the strange and often bizarre stories behind the inventions, and inventors, that have shaped our homes. From dado rails and stencilling – which date from Roman times – noggins and newel posts to power showers, lights and lightning rods, wallpapers and windows, floors and fitted kitchens, Bill Laws's book takes us on a journey of discovery that exposes the true secrets behind our four walls. Included here are the incredible flying fitted kitchens, the true saga behind the Aga, Mr Chubb's great lock scandal and how front doors were changed forever by the penny post, while the near-death experience of one British royal contributed to the contemporary bathroom. This book will ensure that you never look at your wallpaper and laminate flooring in the same way again!

This book contributes to the increasing interest in John Adams and his political and legal thought by examining his work on the medieval British Empire. For Adams, the conflict with England was constitutional because there was no British Empire, only numerous territories including the American colonies not consolidated into a constitutional structure. Each had a unique relationship to the English. In two series of essays he rejected the Parliament's claim to legislate for the internal governance of the American colonies. His *Dissertation on the Canon and Feudal Law* (1765) identified these claims with the Yoke, Norman tyranny over the defeated Saxons after 1066. Parliament was seeking to treat the colonists in similar fashion. The *Novanglus* essays (1774-75), traced the origin of the colonies, demonstrating that Parliament played no role in their establishment and so had no role in their internal governance without the colonists' subsequent consent.

*British Cinema in Documents* presents an introduction to the key concerns and debates in British cinema through documents,

ranging from official papers to fan magazines. Sarah Street shows how such documentary material can enrich our understanding of cinema's place in national culture and shed new light on defining moments in British cinema history. Street draws together a wide range of material, discussing oral histories, film posters and stills and star memorabilia alongside audience surveys, censorship reports, fan magazines and web sites, providing a context for each extract she discusses. She uses a series of case studies, including film censorship during the Second World War, the fan cultures surrounding stars from Margaret Lockwood to Ewan McGregor, and surveys of the British cinema audience to illustrate how archival research can provide a new understanding of the relationship between a film and other kinds of texts, and between films, their audiences, and the state.

A comprehensive history of the British film industry from its inception to the present day, with minute listings of the producers, directors, actors, and studios behind a century of British cinema. Published in association with the British Film Institute and illustrated with black and white photos of film stars and filmmakers from the 1920s to the present day.

This book offers a critical account of historical books about Britain written for children, including realist novels, non-fiction, fantasy and alternative histories. It also investigates the literary, ideological and philosophical challenges involved in writing about the past, especially for an audience whose knowledge of history is often limited.

"First published in Great Britain by Allen Lane"--Title page verso.

Sometimes it is not big events or great men or women that change history. Often, an apparently trivial occasion or insignificant decision changes everything. Stephen Pollard's alternative history of the past sixty years examines ten such crucial days in our history. None of them are obviously historic. But each of them changed the country - some for good, others for ill. Combining history, analysis, humour and polemic, this incisive look at events stretched across six decades reveals how and why we became the nation we now are. The ten days which constitute Pollard's history of Britain deal with important areas of national life. The arrival on 22 June 1948 of 492 West Indians aboard HMS Empire Windrush changed the very make-up of the country. The invention of the microwave on 8 October 1945 altered not just what we eat but how we eat - and drink. The education system, Pollard argues, was destroyed by the forced introduction of comprehensive schooling on 12 July 1965. Publication of Germaine Greer's *The Female Eunuch* on 24 October 1970 changed family life. And the staging of *It's a Royal Knockout* on 15 June 1987 marked the end of the monarchy as a serious institution. The events of other days transformed culture, politics, crime, sport and the very future of Western civilization. Behind each of the ten days is a story; some of these stories are well known, some obscure. Fusing narrative with analysis, and history with contemporary relevance, *Ten Days That Changed the Nation* shows us the major impact that apparently minor events can have on our lives. Stephen Pollard's approachable, readable narrative is as engaging as it is controversial. Sure to incite debate, *Ten Days That Changed the Nation* is a handbook for our times.

Taking a similar approach to his successful *If Rome Hadn't Fallen*, Timothy Venning explores the various decision points in a fascinating period of British history and the alternative paths that it might have taken. Dr. Timothy Venning starts within an outline of the process by which much of Britain came to be settled by Germanic tribes after the end of Roman rule, as far as it can be determined from the sparse and

fragmentary sources. He then moves on to discuss a series of scenarios, which might have altered the course of subsequent history dramatically. For example, was a reconquest by the native British ever a possibility (under 'Arthur' or someone else)? Which of the Anglo-Saxon kingdoms might have united England sooner and would this have kept the Danes out? And, of course, what if Harold Godwinson had won at Hastings? While necessarily speculative, all the scenarios are discussed within the framework of a deep understanding of the major driving forces, tensions and trends that shaped British history and help to shed light upon them. In so doing they help the reader to understand why things panned out as they did, as well as what might have been.

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Continuing his exploration of the pathways of British history, Timothy Venning examines the turning points of the Tudor period, though he also strays over into the early Stuart period. As always, he discusses the crucial junctions at which History could easily have taken a different turn and analyses the possible and likely results. While necessarily speculative to a degree, the scenarios are all highly plausible and rooted in a firm understanding of actually events and their context. In so doing, Timothy Venning gives the reader a clearer understanding of the factors at play and why things happened the way they did, as well as a tantalizing view of what might so easily have been different. ??Key scenarios discussed in this volume include: ??' Did the pretenders Lambert Simnel and Perkin Warbeck ever have a realistic chance of a successful invsasion/coup???' If Henry Fitzroy, Henry VIII's illegitimate son, had not died young, might he have been a suitable King or at least Regent on the King's death? ??' What if Edward VI had not died at 15 but reigned into the 1560s and 70s???' How might the Spanish Armada have succeeded in landing an army in England, and with what likely outcome?

In 1973, San Francisco allergist Ben Feingold created an uproar by claiming that synthetic food additives triggered hyperactivity, then the most commonly diagnosed childhood disorder in the United States. He contended that the epidemic should not be treated with drugs such as Ritalin but, instead, with a food additive-free diet. Parents and the media considered his treatment, the Feingold diet, a compelling alternative. Physicians, however, were skeptical and designed dozens of trials to challenge the idea. The resulting medical opinion was that the diet did not work and it was rejected. Matthew Smith asserts that those scientific conclusions were, in fact, flawed. An Alternative History of Hyperactivity explores the origins of the Feingold diet, revealing why it became so popular, and the ways in which physicians, parents, and the public made decisions about whether it was a valid treatment for hyperactivity. Arguing that the fate of Feingold's therapy depended more on cultural, economic, and political factors than on the scientific protocols designed to test it, Smith suggests the lessons learned can help resolve medical controversies more effectively.

The Historical Dictionary of British Cinema has a lot of ground to cover. This it does with over 300 dictionary entries informing us about significant actors, producers and directors, outstanding films and serials, organizations and studios, different films genres from comedy to horror, and memorable films, among other things. Two appendixes provide lists of award-winners. Meanwhile, the chronology covers over a century of history. These parts provide the details, countless details, while the introduction offers the big story. And the extensive bibliography points toward other sources of information.

An outstanding and ambitious contribution to New Zealand and imperial history... Barnes' analysis of the dynamic relationship between colony and metropolis is compelling and sophisticated... A thoughtful reconsideration of a cultural past New Zealanders have often disowned . . . - History Australia, Vol 12, 1, 2015 A major contribution to scholarship that should remain a touchstone for years to come. Its success is both a testament to the potential of an expertly executed doctoral study and evidence of a significant emerging voice in Australasian cultural

history. - Australian Historical Studies, 44, 2, 2013 An ambitious book, tackling large questions across two hemispheres and a long century. Felicity Barnes pulls it off. - Journal of NZ Studies, June 2014 Antipodean soldiers and writers, meat carcasses and moa, British films and Kiwi tourists: over the last 150 years, all of these people, things and ideas have gone back and forth from New Zealand to London to help define, and redefine, the relationship between this country and the colonial centre. In New Zealand's London, expanded from an award-winning PhD thesis from the University of Auckland, Felicity Barnes explores 'a colony and its metropolis' from Wakefield to The Wombles. By focusing on particular themes - from agricultural marketing to expatriate writers - Barnes develops a larger story about colonial and national identity. New Zealand's London is already being hailed as a landmark work of historical writing on the development of our culture. A stimulating overview of the intellectual arguments and critical debates involved in the study of British and Irish cinemas British and Irish film studies have expanded in scope and depth in recent years, prompting a growing number of critical debates on how these cinemas are analysed, contextualized, and understood. A Companion to British and Irish Cinema addresses arguments surrounding film historiography, methods of textual analysis, critical judgments, and the social and economic contexts that are central to the study of these cinemas. Twenty-nine essays from many of the most prominent writers in the field examine how British and Irish cinema have been discussed, the concepts and methods used to interpret and understand British and Irish films, and the defining issues and debates at the heart of British and Irish cinema studies. Offering a broad scope of commentary, the Companion explores historical, cultural and aesthetic questions that encompass over a century of British and Irish film studies—from the early years of the silent era to the present-day. Divided into five sections, the Companion discusses the social and cultural forces shaping British and Irish cinema during different periods, the contexts in which films are produced, distributed and exhibited, the genres and styles that have been adopted by British and Irish films, issues of representation and identity, and debates on concepts of national cinema at a time when ideas of what constitutes both 'British' and 'Irish' cinema are under question. A Companion to British and Irish Cinema is a valuable and timely resource for undergraduate and postgraduate students of film, media, and cultural studies, and for those seeking contemporary commentary on the cinemas of Britain and Ireland.

Black British Cultural Studies has attracted significant attention recently in the American academy both as a model for cultural studies generally and as a corrective to reigning constructions of Blackness within African-American studies. This anthology offers the first book-length selection of writings by key figures in this field. From Stuart Hall's classic study of racially structured societies to an interview by Manthia Diawara with Sonia Boyce, a leading figure in the Black British arts movement, the papers included here have transformed cultural studies through their sustained focus on the issue of race. Much of the book centers on Black British arts, especially film, ranging from a historical overview of Black British cinema to a weighing of the costly burden on Black artists of representing their communities. Other essays consider such topics as race and representation and colonial and postcolonial discourse. This anthology will be an invaluable and timely resource for everyone interested in cultural studies. It also has much to offer students of anthropology, sociology, media and film studies, and literary criticism.

The Oxford History of the British Empire is a major new assessment of the Empire in the light of recent scholarship and the progressive opening of historical records. From the founding of colonies in North America and the West Indies in the seventeenth century to the reversion of Hong Kong to China at the end of the twentieth, British imperialism was a catalyst for far-reaching change. The Oxford History of the British Empire as a comprehensive study helps us to understand the end of Empire in relation to



**British Cinema: Past and Present** responds to the commercial and critical success of British film in the 1990s. Providing a historical perspective to the contemporary resurgence of British cinema, this unique anthology brings together leading international scholars to investigate the rich diversity of British film production, from the early sound period of the 1930s to the present day. The contributors address: \* British Cinema Studies and the concept of national cinema \* the distribution and reception of British films in the US and Europe \* key genres, movements and cycles of British cinema in the 1940s, 50s and 60s \* questions of authorship and agency, with case studies of individual studios, stars, producers and directors \* trends in British cinema, from propaganda films of the Second World War to the New Wave and the 'Swinging London' films of the Sixties \* the representation of marginalised communities in films such as *Trainspotting* and *The Full Monty* \* the evolution of social realism from *Saturday Night, Sunday Morning* to *Nil By Mouth* \* changing approaches to Northern Ireland and the Troubles in films like *The Long Good Friday* and Alan Clarke's *Elephant* \* contemporary 'art' and 'quality' cinema, from heritage drama to the work of Peter Greenaway, Derek Jarman, Terence Davies and Patrick Keiller.

**Women's History: Britain 1850-1945** introduces the main themes and debates of feminist history during this period of change, and brings together the findings of new research. It examines the suffrage movement, race and empire, industrialisation, the impact of war and women's literature. Specialists in their own fields have each written a chapter on a key aspect of women's lives including health, the family, education, sexuality, work and politics. Each contribution provides an overview of the main issues and debates within each area and offers suggestions for further reading. It not only provides an invaluable introduction to every aspect of women's participation in the political, social and economic history of Britain, but also brings the reader up to date with current historical thinking on the study of women's history itself.

In the 1930s there were close to a billion annual admissions to the cinema in Britain and it was by far the most popular paid-for leisure activity. This book is an exploration of that popularity. John Sedgwick has developed the POPSTAT index, a methodology based on exhibition records which allows identification of the most popular films and the leading stars of the period, and provides a series of tables which will serve as standard points of reference for all scholars and specialists working in the field of 1930s cinema. The book establishes similarities and differences between national and regional tastes through detailed case study analysis of cinemagoing in Bolton and Brighton, and offers an analysis of genre development. It also reveals that although Hollywood continued to dominate the British market, films emanating from British studios proved markedly popular with domestic audiences.

**THE ALTERNATIVE QUILL: WRITING ALTERNATIVE HISTORY** The many niches of Alternative History are very popular genres in the marketplace. Urban Fantasy, Paranormal, Time Travel, Steampunk, Gaslamp Fantasy, Dieselpunk, or tales that tweak history into something it never was (either the past or the present). If you are interested in writing fantasy but quest tales aren't your cup of java, flip through the selections here and find the perfect place to land your story on the bookshelves. Beth Daniels (*Writing Steampunk*, *Geared Up: Writing Steampunk* 2nd edition, *Muse to Manuscript*) dips into the various styles of Alternative

History by giving examples of published work and making suggestions on what specific niches have to offer and supplies ideas on how to tweak history to your own story needs. Visit her at [www.Muse2Ms.com](http://www.Muse2Ms.com), [www.WritingSteampunk.com](http://www.WritingSteampunk.com), or stop by her blog at [www.2write2write2write.blogspot.com](http://www.2write2write2write.blogspot.com).

This book takes a post-racial approach to the representation of race in contemporary British fiction, re-imagining studies of race and British literature away from concerns with specific racial groups towards a more sophisticated analysis of the contribution of a broad, post-racial British writing. Examining the work of writers from a wide range of diverse racial backgrounds, the book illustrates how contemporary British fiction, rather than merely reflecting social norms, is making a radical contribution towards the possible future of a positively multi-ethnic and post-racial Britain. This is developed by a strategic use of the realist form, which becomes a utopian device as it provides readers with a reality beyond current circumstances, yet one which is rooted within an identifiable world. Speaking to the specific contexts of British cultural politics, and directly connecting with contemporary debates surrounding race and identity in Britain, the author engages with a wide range of both mainstream and neglected authors, including Ian McEwan, Zadie Smith, Julian Barnes, John Lanchester, Alan Hollinghurst, Martin Amis, Jon McGregor, Andrea Levy, Bernardine Evaristo, Hanif Kureishi, Kazuo Ishiguro, Hari Kunzru, Nadeem Aslam, Meera Syal, Jackie Kay, Maggie Gee, and Neil Gaiman. This cutting-edge volume explores how contemporary fiction is at the centre of re-thinking how we engage with the question of race in twenty-first-century Britain.

This collection of essays looks at the interactions between history and literature in the Romantic period, focusing on practical as well as theoretical interconnections between the two genres and disciplines. It argues not only that experiments in literary writing intersected with concurrent experiments and innovations in historical writing, but also that the questions raised in the period about the role of feeling, sentiment, and the imagination in historical writing are still resonating in historical debates today. It therefore also considers current debates about the philosophy of history and literature.

Most of us can name at least a few of the major events, places and people in British history. But the details are often more confusing. Did the Saxons come before or after the Romans? Did King Arthur really exist? When did Charles I lose his head or Wellington defeat Napoleon at Waterloo? In "The Ultimate Time Team Companion" Tim Taylor draws on the expertise of the Time Team contributors to answer all your questions about the programme, including a guide to all 50 excavation sites illustrating our British history from the dawn of time to the modern age. It also follows the team in five photo stories as they explore Cirencester, northern France, Basing House, Flag Fen and Elveden in Suffolk.

Amidst the chaos of the Great War, the Germans have a new weapon. The dead have no sides, the people who command them do. Read CM Harald's original zombie story today. With Britain reeling following the zombie outbreak in London, the Central Powers launch their Spring Offensive, a last desperate attack to knock Britain and France out of the war before the vast US army arrives. For the first time Germany uses zombie soldiers. In a desperate attempt to end the new zombie threat, the British despatch their leading zombie expert to duel with the notorious Dead Handler. This book is written in British English and is approximately 40,000

words long. This is the sixth book in the intriguing world of the Royal Zombie Corps series set in an alternate First World War. Historical Writing in Britain, 1688-1830 explores a series of debates concerning the nature and value of the past in the long eighteenth century. The essays investigate a diverse range of subjects including art history, biography, historical poetry, and novels, as well as addressing more conventional varieties of historical writing.

British film stars—even the most famous ones, such as James Mason, Sean Connery, and Julie Andrews—are a neglected subject in film history. This interesting collection looks at the whole of British stardom from circa 1910 onwards, and the many types of British stars who gained worldwide fame through national and international cinema.

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