

## History Knowledge Organiser

### The Curwen Family

#### Who were the Curwens?

The Curwens were the Lord of the Manor in Workington. The Curwen family are very well known in Workington and are one of the oldest families in England.



#### Mary, Queen of Scots

Mary was born in 1542 and she died in 1587. The Curwen family gave her shelter on her flight from Scotland for one night before her imprisonment in Carlisle Castle. When she fled from Scotland in a boat, she dressed as an ordinary woman, so that she was disguised.



Workington Hall  
(Curwen Castle)

Workington Hall was rebuilt from 1783 and 1789 by John Carr of York. The hall has not been looked after for a very long time now and it is now classed as a ruin.